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THE SNOW STORM

And How It Paralyzed Travel in This City.

THE LINES CLEARED DURING THE NIGHT

And Today the Electrics are Running.

Like the poor of the scriptures, the "beautiful snow" poets are always with us, though fortunately we don't always see them, and yesterday about dusk when Nature had laid her white mantle over the sadly neglected streets of Lowell, giving them for once in a year a clean appearance, the favored more or less, principally the less, of the Muses, began to blow into the office.

They were the same old poets, with the same old lays, the same having laid upon the family shelf for a twelvemonth, and when they began to come in we knew better than Dan Gage or the Lowell and Suburban that winter had come for a fact.

Winter came in with a rush and so did the poets, with their plaintive little songs, ever ancient, ever new. "I have here an humble contribution," etc., sung to the accompaniment of a narrow-penetrating northeast wind, suggestive of the "frosts" invariably accorded the gentlemen who are "unscitured" but hardly fit.

The first real snow storm of the season it was, and a good one it was at that for the old gentlemen with the long white whiskers, smoking an icicle, whom the office boy designates as Old Borax, played the limit yesterday and when at eventide, he cried "hold enough" to his

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didn't ring the school bell at quarter to eight causing many a poor youngster a bad cold, which, however, does not whittle many icicles with the average youngster of today.

It wasn't the snow alone that raised the mischief, for a little snow judiciously shaken does no one any harm, but the snow didn't come down at all gracefully, the symmetry of its fall being destroyed by a most erratic wind storm which blew itself most heartlessly. If you happened to be going with the wind you were all right but just turn around once and, well the old sport would say—you lose.

As early as seven o'clock the street railroad company, which at the start was very shy of power, began to feel the effects of the storm and though power was economized by using only one car on each line it was barely possible for them to proceed. Merrimack square was deserted as far as cars were concerned and Florence Donoghue, with a beautiful crop of icicles in his beard, nearly froze his voice explaining to the many who held up in the square the cause of the trouble. The power was so weak about noon that the Lawrence cars could not come beyond the car house on First street though they got up before evening. In fact travel on all lines improved as the storm subsided and snow plow's did great work towards making it possible for the cars to proceed. Over 100 unemployed men sought the railroad office toward evening and many were made happy by receiving a shovel and orders to go to work. Several road scrapers were got out and these aided materially too, in restoring order.

The telegraph and telephone companies were balked though they were fortunate during the day and evening while everything was in great condition with the steam railroad.

The street and sewer men were obliged to quit work at noon, as they could make no headway with the snow.

The Merrimack river was filled with huge cakes of thin ice and crusted snow, which floated down rapidly all day, giving evidence of a severe storm farther up in the country. It was quite an interesting sight, though there was no abundance of fun to be had on any of the large bridges.

BOWLING NEWS.

Les Miserables took a drop last night and relinquished second place to the Salems. On the latter's alleys Les Miserables were beaten by the following totals:

Salems—Hay 539, Ropes 448, Berry 504, Marshall 514, Newhall 459; total 2473.

Les Miserables—Farrell 522, Murphy 444, Beauregard 442, McLaughlin 451, Marren 507; total 2366.

In the Banker's game, Team one defeated Team seven 1861 to 1776.

The McKinley's won the duck pin game from the Anarchists 1212 to 1186.

The Firemen won again last evening defeating the Olympics 2501 to 2235.

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Armenian Garabedian, a Student in a Constantinople College.

He Escaped the Awful Massacre Because He Wore the French Uniform—Bodies Dumped Into the Sea—His Father, a Banker, Lost Everything, But Escaped Death—His Two Uncles Were Killed.

Among the Armenians who have reached the American shore as fugitives, from Turkish atrocity is antranik Garabedian a young man of 19 years. He has been in this city for two months, and is undoubtedly the best educated Armenian in Lowell. He had been a student in a French college in Constantinople for three years, when the horrors of the awful massacre of last August broke over that city.

Only a brief account of that atrocious event was published in the papers of this country, but it appears that the pretext on which 15,000 Armenians were cruelly butchered was that they were plotting against the Turkish government. On that ground it is said that the Sultan ordered the massacre of all the Armenians in Constantinople.

"How did you escape" the Sun reporter asked Mr. Garabedian.

"My father's property was confiscated, and I, wearing a uniform of the French college, was permitted to go on board a steamer in the harbor. Had the government marauders supposed that I was an Armenian I should undoubtedly have

ANTRANIK GARABEDIAN,

Fugitive from Turkish Atrocity now in This City.

shared the fate of the other Armenians who were slaughtered. The soldiers were instructed to confine their cruelties to Armenians alone, and my French uniform and nothing else saved me from being numbered with the dead."

"What business was your father engaged in," asked the reporter.

"My father was in the banking business, and was quite wealthy, but when the slaughter commenced, he endeavored to make his escape as I did, and I have heard since that he still survives."

"How was the massacre conducted," queried the reporter.

"The soldiers stabbed the Armenians to death wherever they met them, and when the bloody work was over, the bodies were gathered, laid on wagons, put on board of tugboats and taken out into the harbor where they were dumped into the sea. In order that the bodies might not rise to the surface they were tied together with weights attached before they were thrown overboard.

"One of my uncles was among the number, while I know not whether my other uncle escaped as a fugitive or was killed, but he was probably killed."

"What do you intend to do in this country?" was asked.

"I was very glad to escape from Constantinople alive, and nothing would please me better now than an opportunity to finish my education, but as that is out of the question, I will be gratified to accept any opportunity of earning a living that may come in my way. I would rather work for my board than be idle, and am willing to engage in any kind of business that I am able to perform. I have no blood relations in this city, but my compatriots have been very kind to me since I came here. I have also been liberally aided by Rev. Fr. McKenna of St. Peter's church. Nothing would please better than to find employment in which I might be able to save enough to bring my parents to this country, because they are never out of danger while in Constantinople under the present conditions, and having lost their property they have no means of support except through their chances of employment, which are very uncertain."

"How many languages can you speak?" inquired the reporter.

"I can speak and write the French, Turkish and Armenian, and am learning English as fast as I can."

"How many Armenians in Constantinople?"

"There are 250,000 out of a population of 1,000,000. There were over 2,000,000 Armenians in Turkey altogether, but a great number has been killed in massacres throughout the Turkish empire."

Mr. Garabedian is a bright young man, intelligent and polite. He is deserving of sympathy from those who might help him in securing employment.

As an interpreter he may be of assistance to the police in some cases in which Armenians and others get mixed. A letter addressed to The Sun will reach him.

THIEF ARRESTED

With a Stolen Garment Under His Arm.

HE HAD TAKEN IT FROM A HALLWAY.

Other Articles Stolen by Sneak Thieves.

Officer Maher held up a seedy-looking individual on Merrimack street last night, the latter carrying an article of wearing apparel under his arm. The stranger at first said the cloak belonged to his wife, but afterward told a different story. Officer Maher decided to arrest him on suspicion, and at the station he gave the name of William Kennedy. Later, Mis Maggie Buckley of 11 Suffolk Corp., reported that her suck had been stolen from the hallway while she was at supper and she identified the garment taken from Kennedy as her own.

Napoleon Rancouer has lost a beaver overcoat from the hallway of his boarding house on the Tremont corporation and he doesn't believe that the coat walked off.

A boarder at 139 Colburn street has a pair of pants stolen from his room yesterday.

THE BAZAAR.

Another Large Attendance and Fine Entertainment Last Night.

The storm did not interfere with the attendance at the bazaar last night, in aid of the Sacred Heart church. A large audience gathered in the gallery and many others visited the tables and inspected the beautiful articles.

The stage performance was given by the Nightingale minstrels, and was highly creditable in every respect. Thomas Sullivan gave a clever exhibition of baton swinging. James Daly, "Lowell's sweet tenor," sang sweetly indeed and was encored. The Nightingale quartette rendered pleasing selections, and the entertainment concluded with the act of the Val Jones Brothers, tramp and clown aerial artists.

DEATHS.

BARKER— Mrs. Caroline H. Barker, aged 74 years, well known to many of the older residents, died yesterday at 139 School street. She leaves two granddaughters, Mrs. Fred Crawford and Miss Pearl Day, a brother, William H. Wardwell, and a sister, Lydia J. Crockett, the last two of Boston.

McGLYNN— Miss Bridget McGlynn, sister of the late Michael McGlynn, died at the home of her sister-in-law at 35 Reservoir street yesterday. Deceased was a devout member of St. Michael's church. Her many friends will be pained to hear of her death.

CLARK— Patrick H. Clark, aged 54 years, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ellen McCarron, 104 Pleasant street. He was unmarried and is survived by five sisters, Mrs. Anna J. Loughlin, Mrs. McCarron, Misses Alice T. and Lizzie C. Clark, and by Sister Anne of the Sacred Heart, who is a sister of Notre Dame at present stationed in Waltham; and by three brothers, Messrs. Michael F. and Cornelus C. of this city and Hugh J. of Worcester.

Common Sense

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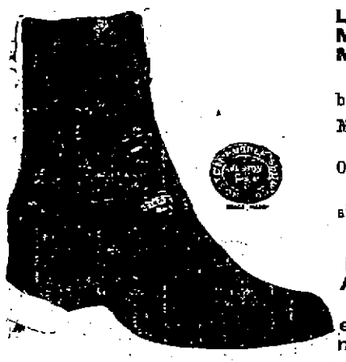

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STATE ORGANIZATION WITH 2500 MEMBERS.

Officers Chosen—What the Leaders Say.

Lowell was honored yesterday by the ladies of the A. O. H., who assembled in state convention here.

Miss Delia A. Sullivan of this city was chosen the first president of the new state organization of the ladies' auxiliary. The election was unanimous, not the slightest opposition to her being manifested. The Sun yesterday detailed the proceedings up to the noon recess at 2 o'clock. Dinner was partaken of at the Merrimac house, and owing to the lateness of the hour no speeches were delivered.

When the delegates reconvened in A. O. H. hall, the reports of the committees on by-laws, and resolutions were received. The former was laid over for future consideration, and the latter was accepted and adopted.

Then came the election of officers. The secretary, P. F. Cannon was instructed to cast one ballot for Miss Sullivan for state president and she was declared elected. For the other offices there were contests, and the successful candidates were: Vice-president, Kate Hayes, Abbington; secretary, Kate Sheridan, Norfolk county; treasurer, Lizzie G. Haggett, Fitchburg. The officers were installed by Hon. E. J. Slattery.

The reports of county officers were presented. They showed five auxiliaries and 500 members in Middlesex county, two auxiliaries in Suffolk, nine in Norfolk, seven in Plymouth, one in Hampshire, one in Essex and five in Worcester. The total membership in the state is 2500.

The convention voted unanimously to hold the next state convention in Worcester.

The Middlesex county delegates present were: Misses Delia A. Sullivan, Lauretta Mayo, Katherine Burns, Josephine T. Sullivan, Annie Duffy of Lowell, Bridget Donahue, Hannah Downing, Mamie Conley, Minnie Qualters, Mary Butler of Wakefield, Katherine Burke, Margaret Russell, Annie Kelliher, Mary Stack, Margaret Ryan of Somerville, Nellie Sheehan, Mary Daley, Minnie Murphy, Kate McGrath and Mrs. Delaney of Woburn.

The President's Address.

Miss Sullivan's address of welcome to the delegates was as follows:

"Mr. State President, Brother Members and Visiting Sister Delegates:

As president of the local ladies' auxiliary it becomes my most pleasant duty to welcome you and to extend to each and every one of you the hospitality of the city. The chair will only say that to so many friends as she had the pleasure of meeting upon occasions of like character and to the many delegates who have come here for the first time, on behalf of the order and also at the request of the five local divisions of the A. O. H., I extend a most cordial welcome to the city.

"To the nation from which we are proud to derive our origin and to the organization from which we take our name we ever were and ever will be ready to yield our unforced assistance. The mere departure of woman from the duties of the domestic circle far from being a reproach to her is a virtue of the highest order when it is done from purity of motive by appropriate means and towards a virtuous purpose. And that is the principle of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. I trust that our convention today will accomplish a mountain of good."

An Excellent Beginning.

"It was an excellent beginning, and the work so well started, must result beneficially to the order. The organization is a noble one. I believe firmly in its purposes and objects, and in its success. The newly elected officers will work with one accord for the furtherance of the order's principles."

HON. E. J. SLATTERY,
State President, A. O. H.

Highly Enthusiastic.

"The convention was a very enthusiastic gathering. I can only commend the ladies for the great interest displayed. Their success means our success, and their meeting here today will encourage the members of the various auxiliaries to increase their efforts for the order's welfare."

JOHN P. MAHONEY,
County President.

PLEADING FOR TARIFF.

Hon. Charles A. Stott Could Not Save the Dingley Bill.

Hon. Charles A. Stott, president of the Home Market club, is in Washington in consultation with Representative Dingley, the chairman of the ways and means committee. He is accompanied by Colonel Albert H. Clarke of Wellesley, secretary; Fred E. Clarke of Lawrence and Mr. Shaw of Quincy. They are working in the interest of the Dingley tariff bill.

GRAND SUPPER

At St. Lawrence Hotel in Payment of an Election Bet.

Joe Salvici of Nashua undertook to make a bet of a grand supper for thirty people that Colonel Bennett would be elected.

Lieut. McNulty of the St. Lawrence hotel took him up, and tonight at that hostelry Mr. Salvell will pay his bet.

Among the number will be several city officials of Nashua.

Stole a Horse.

William Hoban and a boy named Brennan were arrested yesterday for stealing the horse and carriage of T. F. Burns of West Chelmsford, Sunday. They drove to Lawrence and Haverhill and finally reached Lowell again on Tuesday leaving the team on Humphrey street. Officer John Walsh arrested Hoban and Inspector Allen took in Brennan.

Everybody in Lowell

Is invited to call at the office of the Mexican Medicine Co. and get a free sample of Zyno, the Great Mexican Blood Tonic. All aches and pains cured free at office, 32 Central street.

The recount of the aldermanic vote progresses very slowly.

Up to three o'clock yesterday afternoon, at which time the registrars took dinner, only two precincts, the first and second in ward one were finished. These showed a gain of one vote each for Derby, Eastman and Gerow. Lawrence's vote according to the returns in precinct two was 293; the recount gives him 297. Dr. Holbrook had 296 in this same precinct according to the original count, and the recount credits him with 295, a loss of one. This made a net gain of five for Lawrence and placed his lead at 15.

Some strange combinations were discovered in these precincts. For instance, several ballots were crossed only for Bennett for mayor and E. B. Pierce for alderman. Some voted for Bennett, Goward and Pevey, while many cast the straight republican aldermanic ticket with Courtney for mayor. These voters, though somewhat off in relation to the aldermanic end, knew their business in the mayoralty contest.

In precinct two a vote was cast for Charles H. Burns for alderman.

Col. Bennett does not believe that the French voters went back on him and he has Arthur Salmon there to watch the run of the ballots, as the aldermanic vote is counted.

After dinner precinct three was taken up and when the count was completed the revised returns of the entire ward showed a gain of 1 for Eastman and Gerow, 2 for Hamer, 4 for Lawrence, 2 for Libby and a loss of 3 for Holbrook, 2 for Hooper, 3 for Howe, 1 for Leblanc, 12 for Pierce, 6 for Pevey, 1 for Vincent.

Precinct one of ward two showed the following gains: Gerow 1, Hamer 1, Holbrook 1, Johnson 1, Libby 2, O'Neil 1, Peirce 1; and these losses: Eastman 1, Goward 1, Hooper 1, Howe 1, Lawrence 1, Leblanc 1, Pevey 1, Vincent 1.

This gave Lawrence a lead of 15 over Leblanc.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Music Hall.

At Music hall for three nights beginning tonight, Thursday, Dec. 17, also Saturday matinee, the event of the season, the famous Watson sisters and their elegant company, in one of the best burlesque and vaudeville bills ever seen in Lowell, introducing two new ludicrous burlettas, constructed for laughing purposes only. The opening is a bright musical skit in which the entire company takes part, and gives ample opportunity for marches, gavottes, dances, funny comedians, handsome and talented young ladies attired in gorgeous costumes, then comes the olio of vaudeville stars of considerable merit, the whole to conclude with the funniest burlesque ever written, "Count" no account.

"The Kodak" which has met with popular success wherever produced this season will be seen at Music Hall, Dec. 21, 22, 23, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with matinee on Wednesday.

It is to be a musical comedy of the first order; the dialogue is very amusing while the music is not only melodious, but artistic. The Nose Jollity Co., who interpret the play, sustain their well known reputation to give a clean, pure and wholesome entertainment, and no doubt will receive an enthusiastic and well pleased audience. An exceptionally clever comedian, Mr. Nick Glynn, appears for the first time with this organization and is sure to create a sensation, as his specialties are entirely original and have been eagerly sought after and copied by the profession.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

TILTON—The funeral of Allie A. Tilton took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 23 Ralph street. Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., officiated and the burial was in the Lowell cemetery.

CLEGG—The funeral of Thomas Clegg took place from his late home, 2 Johnson place, in West Fourth street, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. H. Yarrow officiated and the bearers were James Wood, James Lang, John Johnson and Mr. Entwistle. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Nellie V. Riley to William H. Merritt on Wednesday evening Jan. 6, 1897.

A SUCCESTION

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London, Dec. 17.—Great Britain is in the throes of a genuine and unparalled sensation. An earthquake, the most violent ever experienced in the country has shaken every shire from Durham to Surrey and from London to the Welsh coast. The disturbance was first noticed at 5.30 o'clock this morning and lasted from four to thirty seconds. At several points two distinct shocks were felt. The most severe were at Cheltenham, Ledbury and Dean Forest. The shock was accompanied by a loud, rushing sound, buildings were violently shaken, and furniture shifted and upset. The inhabitants panic-stricken fled from their homes.

CHURCH COUNCIL

On the First Cong. Troubles Adjourned.

THE DECISION WILL BE GIVEN ON DEC. 23.

The Advocates of Both Sides Pleaded Hard.

The advisory council of Congregational churches held a lengthy session yesterday and finally adjourned to Dec. 23, when the report will be made.

During the day Prof. Smythe occupied an hour and a half reading a paper in defence of Rev. M. Kenngott, and Rev. Mr. Page of Lawrence read a similar paper. Rev. Dr. Webb read a lengthy document defending the First Congregational church.

REV. GEORGE F. KENNGOTT.

The vote on the following question was taken: "That the body now worshipping in the First Congregational church is the First Congregational church and that it has never been incorporated." It was carried 23 to 10. The result of the vote, so 'tis said, caused three or four of Rev. Mr. Kenngott's supporters to become indignant and they threatened to leave the council and have nothing further to do with it. However to pacify them it was finally agreed to reconsider the vote to give a committee of five an opportunity to confer with the two churches to see if they could not bring about a reconciliation.

ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of Young People's Society of Royal Workers.

The fourth annual convention of Young People's society of Royal Workers was held in the Grand street Christian Advent church yesterday. The morning session was devoted to hearing reports from the delegates. In the afternoon there was a praise service and an address by G. F. Haines of Salem. In the evening, Miss Sadie B. Thompson of Haverhill had as the subject of an interesting and carefully prepared paper "Love, the Mainspring of Action."

Reception to Young People.

The reception to the young people's societies at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening was a delightful informal affair. The building was gaily decorated with flags and bunting. In the gymnasium an athletic exhibition was given. In the main hall, the Lyceum orchestra played, and cake and lemonade were served the guests.

Elegant rubber-tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson street. Telephone 439-4.

General Coxey on Deck Again.

Washington, Dec. 17.—"General" J. S. Coxey of commonweal army fame has arrived in Washington, to resume his efforts to secure congressional action on his schemes for good roads and for non-interest bearing bonds. General Coxey says that he intends to send a copy of his latest pamphlet to every voter in the United States. His platform includes demonetization of both gold and silver, government ownership of public works, the income tax and public salaries to be regulated by the price of wheat.

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ITS FIRST PRESIDENT.

Lowell Lady Honored By Ladies' Auxiliaries of the A. O. H.

Miss Delia Sullivan who was, last evening elected state president of the Ladies' auxiliary of the A. O. H., is a Lowell young lady. She is a native of Lowell, and has resided here all her life. Her education was obtained at the Notre Dame academy, and after completing her studies at this institution, she engaged in dressmaking.

At the present time, with her sister, Miss Josephine Sullivan, she conducts an academy where dress cutting is taught. She is a charter member of the Lowell ladies' auxiliary of the A. O. H., and has been its president since its organization, a few years ago. She also enjoys the distinction of being the first president of the auxiliaries in Middlesex county, and at present holds that office. Her election as the first president of the state organization was deserved for she has done much throughout Middlesex county for the A. O. H., and the ladies' auxiliaries.

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LOST—Two St. Bernard dogs, male and female. One has collar marked F. L. Richard, 27 Lakeview avenue. They are both yellow, one being a little darker than the other. Reward at Frank L. Richard's, Bloody street.

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ARGUMENTS AGAINST MEDICAL AND OCULAR INSPECTION IN SCHOOLS.

Dr. Stephenson who has been proposed for appointment as oculist to examine the eyes of school children, gave his views on this subject to a Sun representative yesterday.

He says he would use the letter test, that he would examine all the school children free of charge and when he found any defects of vision he would notify the parents and if they deemed it expedient they could send the children to the out patient department of the Lowell hospital where they will be treated free of charge.

If Dr. Stephenson would give so much of his time and labor for nothing, he must undoubtedly have the public good at heart. But he says his object is to obtain valuable statistics which cannot be obtained in any other way.

The teaching of science however despite Dr. Stephenson's statement, shows that statistics obtained in that way are unreliable and practically worthless.

When children are placed under examination, their nerves become excited, the eyes are affected and an examination in such a condition is not reliable. In that condition the test might show children to be far sighted or near sighted or cross-eyed. Then the glasses fitted to the children's eyes in that state would injure the sight in their normal condition. Thus not only would the statistics be misleading but the eyes of the children would be injured.

There is another matter to be considered. When children are unwell, when they are suffering from cold, the pupils of they eyes are distended and the sight accordingly disturbed.

How can the examining oculist tell when the children are entirely well, or whether their eyes are in a normal condition?

In order to do so it will be necessary first, to make a physical examination to ascertain whether there is any cause which would disturb the sight.

Does Dr. Stephenson propose to do this? He does not.

We do not here speak at random. Our position on this question will be sustained by the best oculists in this country, Dr. Stephenson to the contrary notwithstanding. Such a superficial and imperfect examination would be worse than useless and any statistics based upon such testimony would lead to the abuse of school children's eyes.

Who will vouch for Dr. Stephenson's qualification for such a position? But admitting his ability it can easily be seen how an incompetent man might be selected or how a thoroughly competent man might do the work in an imperfect and dangerous manner.

Only tell a parent that the child's sight is defective and he or she will spare neither time nor money in having the defect remedied.

The statement of Dr. Stephenson that free treatment would be given at the hospital is very doubtful. The free treatment to which he refers is probably like that of some other other practitioners who give a prescription for glasses which cost as much as will pay the doctor and optician together. There is said to be an understanding between some eye specialists and those who make the glasses for them, under which there is a division of the amount between both. It would be as well for the doctor to charge a regular fee as to add it to the price of the glasses.

On the whole, therefore, we are strongly opposed to such an innovation. The teachers if properly instructed can notify the parents when the pupils are sick or when any of the latter suffer from defective vision. Let them be instructed to exercise their judgment in detecting illness among their scholars and with proper care they can do more good than could any examining physician by glancing over the heads of the pupils or by telephoning the teachers if anyone is sick. The teachers will have the work to do in the long run. The medical examination and the ocular tests are innovations proposed by those who would load the public with expensive fads. Let the school board educate the children and leave medical treatment to the parents.

If Dr. Stephenson or any other eye specialist is willing to take up the other side of this question we are ready to discuss the whole question with him.

The butchery of Maceo by the Spaniards will arouse indignation in every civilized land outside Spain. It will not aid the Spanish butcher to suppress the rebellion but rather draw sympathy to the cause of Cuban Libre. Maceo butchered is a more formidable enemy to Spain than Maceo alive. His successors will avenge his death.

Hawaii wants to be annexed, New Mexico wants to be admitted to statehood, Cuba wants the United States to set her free. If New Mexico gives promise of voting the republican ticket, she can get admitted to the union under the McKinley administration.

A TRAGIC DEATH

Woman Fatally Shot in Illicit Love Affair.

ATTEMPTED MURDER BY A JEALOUS LOVER.

Mrs. Young Had Enraged Harry Frizzell.

Plymouth, N. H., Dec. 17.—Harry Frizzell shot himself and fatally wounded Mrs. Edith Young, at her boarding house on Main street, about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The attempted murder and suicide was the result of a quarrel between Frizzell and Mrs. Young, when both were partially intoxicated.

Mrs. Young is the wife of Otis Young, but they have not lived together for several years. Since their separation, Mrs. Young seems to have had many lovers, the most constant of whom was Charles Savage, with whom she lived for the past three years.

Two weeks ago Savage's mother and uncle visited him at his home at Mrs. Young's boarding house, and one week ago Saturday they took their leave, offering to pay for their board. It is said she refused the money, telling them that if they chose they could give it to Charles Savage. Mrs. Young stated to some of her boarders that Savage's relatives had left without settling their bills. This caused quarrels between the boarding mistress and her lover, resulting in a separation, Savage returning to his home Friday noon.

The sun had not set, however, before another lover was escorted in Mrs. Young's parlors, this one being Harry Frizzell, the man who, by his own statement, attempted murder yesterday afternoon. The quarrel between the lovers seems to have begun Saturday evening. But this quarrel was made up, and at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon Frizzell procured a team at Flanders' stable, and the two went out riding, returning about 6 o'clock, when they announced that they had been married at Ashland. Continued complaints, however, caused Mrs. Young to attempt to drive out her supposed husband. He was seen around the house yesterday noon, and that was the last seen of either, until a moment after the tragedy.

A note now in the possession of County Solicitor Adams was found, which Frizzell says he wrote at the instigation of Mrs. Young. It reads as follows:

"It is just 3 o'clock now, and in 15 minutes Ed and I will both be dead. Perhaps you think I am drunk or angry, but I am neither. I never felt better in my life, but Edith says she will die rather than have me leave her, so we've decided to die together. From Harry and his darlind Ed. Goodby to all."

Thomas Robinson was the first person who saw Frizzell after the shots had been fired. He was down stairs, chatting with the servant girl, when he heard the shots. Rushing upstairs, he found Frizzell staggering from the sitting room into the hallway, with his face and into the hallway, with his face and clothes covered with blood. He was removed to the little room where the shooting took place, and the doctors attempted to bring him back to consciousness. When he had recovered, he said that Mrs. Young stated she was not particular about living.

"I said," he continued, "I wasn't either, and I went and bought a revolver. I took her head under my left arm, as she desired, and fired a shot into each ear, then I fired two bullets into my right ear and the last shot into my breast."

Mrs. Edith Young, nee Caldon, is a woman about 40 years of age. She was divorced from Mr. Young, and was one of seven sisters, the others being all highly respected and accomplished ladies.

Harry Frizzell is a youth not over 20, but with a brutal, repulsive face. He will recover.

SCHOONER ULRICA WRECKED.

Captain Patterson and Crew Saved by the Life Savers of Stony Beach Station.

Hull, Mass., Dec. 17.—The big three-masted schooner Ulrica, which left Hillsboro, N. B., last Friday, for Hoboken, N. J., with a cargo of plaster rock, was totally wrecked on Nantasket Beach just before noon yesterday. Captain John Patterson and his crew of six men were rescued.

A furious northeast gale, accompanied by snow, struck the vessel before daylight, and when off the Boston lightship, all her sails were blown away. Captain Patterson let go all his anchors, but the sea was running tremendously high, and they failed to hold. The wind gradually increased to a hurricane, and the thick snowfall made it impossible to see a vessel's length ahead. The temperature was far below the freezing point, and the men were badly frostbitten. The Ulrica struck on the big sand bar off the beach, and in a short time broke completely in two.

The life saving crew of Stony Beach launched a boat, but could do nothing at first in the terrible sea. The second time the boat had made considerable headway when it capsized, letting the crew into the water. They narrowly escaped drowning, but finally they reached the wreck and took off Captain Patterson and all his crew, who were lashed to the afterpart of the vessel. The men were completely exhausted, the hands and feet of several being frozen.

A Somerville Blaze.

Somerville, Mass., Dec. 17.—Somerville had a two-alarm fire last evening in the two-story wooden window shade and roller factory of Holland & Daniels, located at 185 Beacon, corner of Vine street. The fire started in the workroom of the roller room, on the second story, in the westerly corner. Hanging in the first floor were thousands of dollars' worth of finished shades. By hard work the firemen kept the fire in the roller room, where it originated, probably from spontaneous combustion. In this room was a large stock of curtains and rollers in process of manufacture, besides a valuable consignment of goods from Germany. The loss was estimated by Mr. Daniels to be in the vicinity of $5000, partially covered by insurance.

Connecticut Agriculturists.

Danbury, Conn., Dec. 17.—The second day's session of the state board of agriculture was slimly attended yesterday, owing to the inclement weather. The session opened at 10 a. m. with a lecture by Professor Charles D. Woods of Orono, Me., on "Experiment Stations and Progress in Agriculture." At the afternoon session Professor G. S. Shelps of Storrs agricultural college lectured on "Silage and Silos," and in the evening Hon. William E. Simonds of Hartford, ex-United States commissioner of patents, spoke upon "In the Woods." It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Hartford on the first Thursday in January next, at which time officers will be elected.

Mass Meeting of Harvard's Orators.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 17.—In accordance with the custom established last year, the departure of the Harvard men chosen to debate with Princeton was celebrated yesterday afternoon by a mass meeting of students in Sever hall. J. P. Hall, president of Harvard union, presided. Short speeches were made by several former Harvard debaters, all of whom expressed great confidence in the team and belief that the debate would be won by Harvard.

Forty Cents on the Dollar.

Boston, Dec. 17.—The creditors of the furniture firm of Lyman & Kellogg Co. of Holyoke held a second meeting to hear the report of the committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the corporation here yesterday. The committee yesterday reported that the assets were actually worth not more than one-third the amount figured as nominal, and they recommended accepting an offer of 40 cents on a dollar.

Dedham Court Proceedings.

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 17.—William Creedon was found guilty on two charges of violation of the liquor law. James Leddy of Canton was fined $10 for larceny of a gallon of whisky. Joseph F. McKenna was sentenced to the Massachusetts reformatory at Concord for breaking and entering.

Hill-Harvey Nuptials.

South Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 17.—The culmination of an event over which society has been agog for some time took place at the residence of Congressman E. J. Hill of this city last night, when his daughter, Helena Charlotta, was united in marriage to Waller Harvey Weed of Washington.

A Strong Bowdoin Boy.

Brunswick, Me., Dec. 17.—Walter B. Clark, '99, fullback of the Bowdoin university eleven, took the strength test yesterday and made a total of 1520, which is but a few points behind Klein of Harvard, who holds the collegiate record.

Suicide of a Boston Physician.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Dr. Edward F. McLean committed suicide yesterday afternoon at his home, 604 Tremont street, by shooting himself in the head. No cause can be ascribed for the rash act. Dr. McLean was 48 years old.

Died at the Hospital.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 17.—Arthur L. Whitney, who was so seriously burned while trying to extinguish burning alcohol, died at the Springfield hospital last night.

The Bram Trial.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Considerable testimony of a routine nature concerning the dimensions and plan of the ship, and matters connected with the detention at Halifax and transportation of the crew to Boston, took up the time yesterday in the trial of Thomas Bram for the alleged murder of his captain on board the barkentine Herbert Fuller last July. The courtroom was crowded by spectators, and considerable interest was shown by those present in spite of the somewhat tedious character of the evidence. Lester M. Monks, the passenger on board the Fuller, the government's most important witness, was the last witness, but adjournment was taken before much testimony had been given.

Governor Cleaves' Council.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 17.—Although the day was decidedly unsatisfactory for the grange, everybody continued to stay. The governor and council arrived yesterday, and a reception was tendered them in the hall in the afternoon. Governor Cleaves spoke for several minutes, as did Mr. Clason of the council. Both were listened to very attentively and the applause was general. L. W. Jose of Dexter was elected to fill the vacancy on the executive committee, and B. F. Briggs of Auburn was elected treasurer of the grange. At the evening session the sixth degree was conferred upon 125 members.

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A MAN MURDERED

Carlos Mango Kills C. W. Prescott at Somerville.

STABBED HIM MADLY THROUGH THE HEART.

After Firing a Futile Shot at Him.

Somerville, Mass., Dec. 17.—Goaded by rough handling by three men, an Italian named Carlos Mangno stabbed Charles W. Prescott, one of the men, to the heart, in a house near the Medford line yesterday afternoon. Death resulted almost instantly, and Mangno is now held on the charge of murder.

The three men were employes of the city, and were returning from a funeral. Mangno keeps a small store, and it is said has been the butt of the young men of the district for some time.

Prescott and his friends went into the store, and after bantering the Italian for a few minutes, took him out on the street and dumped him in the snow. All three men went off laughing.

Mangno was so enraged that he rushed back into the store, and, seizing a gun, ran after his tormenters. Prescott seemed to be his principal foe, and Mangno, when within a few feet of him, fired one of the barrels of the shotgun at him. The aim was bad, and Prescott escaped without a scratch. The attack, however, made him nearly as mad as the Italian, so he chased him into the house, where the two grappled on the floor. By some means Mangno managed to free his hands, and, drawing a stiletto, plunged it into Prescott's breast, just as the other two men, who had followed their compaion back to the house, came through the door.

Mangno was seized and held until the police arrived, but before a doctor could reach the scene of the affair Prescott's life had departed. Mangno was held on the charge of murder, and Prescott's companions were also locked up as witnesses to the affair.

Prescott was a single man, about 26 years old, while the Italian, who is 35, was also unmarried, and lived alone in his store. This is the first murder that has taken place in Somerville for many years.

Good Shooting by the President.

Georgetown, S. C., Dec. 17.—The president and party spent yesterday morning hunting ducks in the southern extremity of South Island, their reward being 100 birds, of which the president brought down 61. President Cleveland also joined a deer drive, but none of the hunters got a shot. The president will probably return to Washington Saturday.

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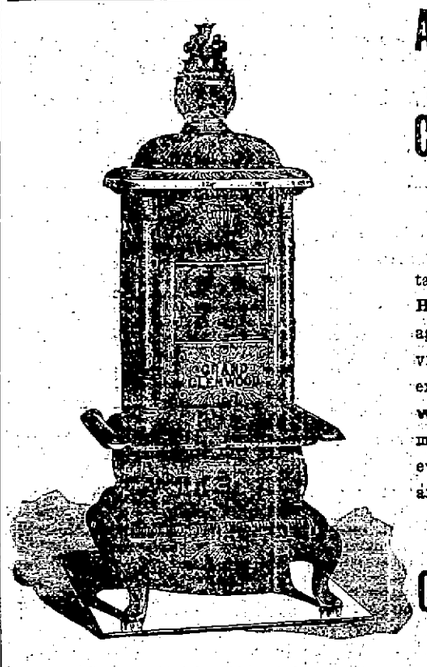

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Ladies' Jackets, lined through, 32 to 42, at January prices, $4.75.

Ladies' Jackets, Boucle or Beaver, (stunning) at January prices, $6.75.

Feather Boas, 49c. Tinsel Boas, best quality, $2.25. Fur Collars, 98c., with tail trimming, $1.49, upwards.

Astrachan Fur Collerettes, $3.98. Krimmer $6.75. Real Marten, $9.50. Real Seal, $13.50.

Silk Waists, $2.25. Nobby Waists, $3.98. Fancy Waists, $4.75. Handsome Waists, $6. Woolen Plaid Waists, 89c. Black and White Check, $1.25. All Wool, $1 and up.

Mackintoshes, lined, $2.50. Plaid lining, wool top, $3.98. Latest and best, $5.75.

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Senators Plunge Into a Heated Debate.

THE LATE CAMPAIGN AND OTHER MATTERS.

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Washington, Dec. 17.—The session of the senate yesterday developed the most eventful and exciting debate that either branch of congress has heard for a long time. It brought forward the recognized leaders of the various parties and elements, including such conspicuous figures as Messrs. Sherman, Frye, Teller, Gorman, Vest, Aldrich, Platt, Mitchell (Or.), Chandler, Hale and Allen, in notable statements on the leading questions which have engaged the attention of congress and the country of late. Not only were the lines laid down on tariff and finance, but the debate partook of all the pent-up feeling resulting from the recent national contest. Often it was dramatic in its intensity, and at all times absorbingly interesting to the crowded galleries and intent body of senators.

Political differences came in for a fair share of attention, and the names of McKinley and Bryan often were heard. President Cleveland also received attention. Mr. Allen declared that the president was a Republican, who joined with Republicans over their recent mutual victory. The debate came unexpectedly, when Mr. Vest called up the Allen resolution, in order to make some remarks on it. Mr. Vest was in his usual caustic vein, and his speech teemed with those graceful and catchy phrases for which he is noted. It severely arraigned the doctrine of protection, and derided the promises of prosperity held out, he said, by McKinley, which could not be fulfilled by levying more taxes on the people. There were frequent sharp and amusing cross-fires between Mr. Vest and Messrs. Aldrich, Chandler and Frye. The debate advanced to a more acute stage when Mr. Allen, with his usual bluntness, began to question Mr. Chandler as to the future of the Dingley bill.

Mr. Sherman (O.) spoke with deep earnestness, declaring that it was a crime for congress not to give the government ample revenue for needful expenditures.

He approved Mr. Cleveland's course in issuing bonds to maintain the gold reserve.

Mr. Teller followed, pointing out the futility of urging the Dingley bill. As to future tariff legislation, he reserved his judgment on it until the measure was presented and its merits considered. Mr. Gorman also pointed out the uselessness of urging the Dingley bill, conceding, however, that after March 4 next the Republican senators would be in sufficient strength to pass a tariff bill. As to the course on the Democratic side, he said he anticipated no obstruction to such a measure beyond an insistence on reasonable debate.

Throughout the debate the sentiment had prevailed that the Dingley bill was dead, and to give this final and apparently official sanction, Mr. Platt of the finance committee announced that no effort would be made to urge the bill to pass again. Thereupon, Mr. Sherman promptly arose and said that in view of what had been said, he acquiesced in the general sentiment that no further effort should be made on the Dingley bill. This was regarded as the final disposition of the bill.

An attempt to transfer the army and navy hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., to the interior department and abandon it as a hospital consumed practically the whole day in the house, and finally blocked proceedings on a point of order and thus compelled an adjournment. It was the only provision of the army appropriation bill which excited a contest.

Before the army bill was taken up a bill was passed to refer the claim of the owners of the bark Tally-ho, which was sunk by a man-of-war outside of Boston harbor in 1883, to the court of claims. At the opening of the session Mr. Bailey introduced a resolution to investigate the construction of the battleship Texas, which was referred to the naval committee on objection of Mr. Dingley.

Salvini's Funeral.

Florence, Dec. 17.—The funeral of Alexander Salvini, the actor, took place yesterday. The ceremony was most imposing. The coffin was buried beneath floral offerings, and the local authorities and notabilities, as well as delegations from numerous artistic associations, were present. Immense crowds of people lined the route followed by the funeral procession. The father of the deceased actor, Tommaso Salvini, has received many messages of condolence from Italy and from America and elsewhere.

Will Launch the Annapolis.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Lewis Nixon of the Crescent ship building works of Elizabeth, N. J., was at the navy department yesterday, and notified the authorities that he would launch the Annapolis next Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The Annapolis is one of the new light draft gunboats, which the department has ordered to be fitted up as a training ship, to take the place of the little Bancroft as a summer cruising vessel for the Annapolis cadets.

Agricultural Bill Completed.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The house agricultural committee yesterday practically completed the agricultural appropriation bill. No new legislation was incorporated, the changes being in reclassification. This bill follows very closely the lines of the one drawn last year, and the amount to be appropriated will be about the same, which was, including the weather bureau, $2,298,532.

Yale Glee Club Well Received.

New York, Dec. 17.—A representative Brooklyn audience, in which many women were conspicuous, gathered in the hall of the Long Island Historical society in Brooklyn last evening at the concert given by the Yale Glee and Mandolin clubs. The boys received an enthusiastic welcome. After the performance, a banquet was given the clubs at the Hamilton club.

Postmasters Confer In Secret.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 17.—The fourth class postmasters of the state held a secret meeting here yesterday to consider a movement for placing their offices under the civil service.

YOUNG CRISP ELECTED.

He Will Take His Father's Seat In the House of Representatives.

Atlanta, Dec. 17.—A special election held yesterday in the Third congressional district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles F. Crisp resulted in the election of Charles R. Crisp, eldest son of the distinguished ex-speaker.

CHARLES R. CRISP.

Young Mr. Crisp, in response to a telegram from the Atlanta Journal, wired that paper: "I am in favor of recognition of the independence of Cuba by the United States."

General Snowstorm Along the Atlantic.

Boston, Dec. 17.—The first northeast snowstorm of the winter passed over New England yesterday, leaving about six inches of snow, blown into drifts by a 40-mile an hour gale. Notwithstanding the timely warnings of the weather bureau of the approach of the storm from the south, a number of coasters were caught in the bay, although a large fleet managed to make port before the blinding snow began. Two serious disasters occurred, both on the south shore, but, fortunately, through the heroic efforts of the life saving crews, no fatalities were recorded. The schooner Puritan went ashore at Scituate, and the New Brunswick schooner Ulrica on Nantasket beach. A collision took place in Taunton between an electric car and a steam train, owing to the storm, and the train got the worst of the encounter. No fatalities occurred. The snow impeded traffic to some extent through southern New England, but no snow fell north of Portland, Me., although a heavy wind blew all day. The storm pushed up on the coast during the afternoon, and the weather has cleared. The storm was general along the Atlantic coast from New Brunswick to Virginia.

The Inaugural Ball.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Referring to the statement telegraphed from Canton, saying that Chairman Hanna had not given up the idea of holding the inaugural ball in the new library building, Senator Hansbrough, chairman of the joint committee on library, said that a resolution had been introduced by Senator Morrill to prevent the use of the building for such a purpose. Mr. Hansbrough was not aware whether or not it was the intention of the committee to report the resolution, but said, so far as he was concerned, he had no objection to the use of the building for either a reception or ball, provided there were no liquors used in the building.

Legislation Against Quacks Asked.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 17.—The New Hampshire Medical society will ask the general court for appropriate legislation to prevent the practice of medicine in this state by unlicensed practitioners. A statute providing for the establishment of an examining board, with power to issue or withhold the necessary license, similar to the law now in force in Massachusetts is what is wanted by the society and to obtain which an effort will be directed. Initiatory steps to this end have been taken by a circular letter sent to the members of the society asking them to confer with representatives-elect in their districts on the subject.

Pearson-Meade Nuptials.

Louisville, Dec. 17.—The marriage of Miss Lalla Meade of this city and ex-Senator Fisher Pearson of Lowell, Mass., was solemnized yesterday at the home of the bride, 207 West Hill street, Rev. E. L. Powell officiating. The maid of honor was Miss Jennie Summers, and the best man was Gardner Pearson of Lowell. Misses Hannah Pearson and Ida McCorkhill were the bridesmaids, and the groomsmen were Thomas Halley of St. Louis and Leslie Phinney of Boston. The invitations were limited to the immediate relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson will go south for their wedding trip.

Lehman Sails For Home.

New York, Dec. 17.—R. C. Lehman, the English coach, who has had the Harvard university crew under his training since his arrival at Cambridge from England on Nov. 11, sailed for Europe yesterday. Mr. Lehman said he would be ready to return in March next, when he would again take up the coaching of the eight, and added: "I can say that I think the crew is in very good trim, composed of good material, and in the four weeks that I have been coaching it a great deal of improvement has been made in the style and strength of the stroke."

Imprisoned In a Mine.

Red Cliff, Colo., Dec. 17.—An accident by which six men are believed to have lost their lives occurred yesterday afternoon in the tunnel of the Holy Cross mine, near here. A blast caused a great fall of earth, and it is believed the men are buried under it, though they may be simply imprisoned, in which case there is hope of rescuing them.

Playing on Thin Ice.

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 17.—One fatality and a number of narrow escapes from drowning was the result of the breaking of thin ice on the Owasco outlet, upon which some boys were playing near Lisette street bridge, this city, yesterday. Joseph Malady, a lad of 6 years, son of Margaret Malady, a widow, was the unfortunate.

Judges of Debate Chosen.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 17.—The judges chosen for the Princeton-Harvard debate are Joseph R. Hawley of Connecticut, Provost C. C. Harrison of the University of Pennsylvania and Hamilton W. Mabie, editor of The Outlook.

The Powers Will Act.

London, Dec. 17.—Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, speaking to a public meeting in London, hinted at an early agreement of the powers to stop Turkish misgovernment.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

IS MACEO ALIVE?

Passengers From Key West Say He Is.

THE FESTIVITIES ORDERED STOPPED IN MADRID.

Insurgents Active in Various Localities.

Key West, Dec. 17.—Passengers arriving here last night from Habana report that Antonio Maceo is alive and well, and is in the province of Matanzas.

These passengers say that all of the festivities that were going on in Habana to celebrate his death have been ordered stopped since it has become known that he is alive.

Letters received from Santiago de Cuba assert that the insurgents in that jurisdiction are showing increased activity, and are moving westward. A party recently raided the town of El Cobre, burning various houses. It is reported that Quintin Bandera has returned to the eastern provinces, and now commands the former followers of Jose Maceo.

Passengers arriving at Habana from Santa Clara say that numerous insurgent bands again attacked the town of Placetas on Dec. 10. Re-enforcements were sent by rail from Remedios, under command of General Solanoff who found that great excitement existed at Placetas, the stores being closed. General Solano's cannon inflicted heavy losses upon the insurgents. The forces kept up an incessant fire, and the enemy was finally forced to withdraw.

The town of Mayajibas, near Yaguajay, was also besieged, land communications being interrupted. General Solano ordered the troops of the Cervantes battalion to attack the insurgent forces of Pancho Corrilli, Pepe Gonzales, Nicasio Mirabile and Torres. A messanger arrived by boat, via Estero Real and Caibareen, who said that insurgents had warned families to leave the town, as it would be bombarded. Major Garcia Faujal refused to surrender the plaza, despite the insurgents' threat to destroy the town, he telling them to commence the bombardment as soon as they pleased. A majority of families, however, left the town. The insurgents had hurled 12 dynamite bombs before a Spanish shell from the fort struck their dynamite gun and caused it to explode. Many of the insurgents were wounded by this explosion, among them being the Cuban leader, Sabrosa, and two American gunners. At last advices the seige of this place still continues.

On Dec. 10 the insurgents made a raid upon the town of Quemada de Guines, after having set fire to the outskirts. They sacked the stores of the town and destroyed 50 buildings. The families in the town took refuge in the fort. It is believed that Quintin Vidal led the raiders.

Advices from Yaguayay of Dec. 12 report that insurgent committees are driving the pacificos in from the country settlements and burning their houses as soon as they are abandoned. It is understood that this is done by order of Carrillo, Garcia or Gomez. The sugar mills of Boadill and Guanabo have been destroyed.

Reports from the central trocha, which runs from Moron to Jucaro, in the western portion of Puerto Principe, are to the effect that many scattered insurgent parties are crossing it to the westward, taking advantage of the darkest portions of the line, which has not yet been lighted by electricity. Cayito Alvarez, with 150 insurgents, is raiding the settlements around La Esperanza, causing terror to the settlers.

Matanzas reports that numerous forces of insurgents have passed near Yaguajay and are moving westward.

Cuban Sympathizers Warned.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—Senor Ramon O. Quelado, who is getting up a concert to aid the cause of Cuba libre, has received a note from Assistant United States Attorney Anthony, calling his attention to section 5286 of the United States neutrality act, providing a penalty of fine of $3000 and three years' imprisonment for breaking it. Under this section, the audience and the performers, as well as the managers, would be equally guilty. The concert is off for the present, but will be given later, probably to raise a hospital fund for the wounded soldiers in Cuba.

Cuban Recruits.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 17.—Seventy-five hardy young Americans have been recruited here for the purpose of going to Cuba on the next filibustering expedition and joining the patriot army.

Desire a Business Tariff.

Boston, Dec. 17.—At a meeting of the executive council of the Massachusetts state board of trade, held at the Parker House yesterday afternoon, a resolution relative to a permanent tariff commission was adopted as follows: "Resolved, That the Massachusetts state board of trade, believing that changes in the tariff should be made in accordance with business requirements, and not because of political considerations, favors legislation by congress which shall provide for the appointment by the president of a permanent non-partisan tariff commission to whom proposed changes in the laws relating to the tariff shall be submitted for consideration and report before being acted upon by congress."

New Hampshire Grangers.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 17.—The State Grange at its morning session yesterday elected a few minor officers and passed a resolution endorsing Hon. John H. Brigham of Ohio for the position of secretary of agriculture. At the afternoon session the work of the first and second degree was exemplified; as was the unwritten work of the order. In the evening the officers of the State Grange conferred the sixth degree on 141 candidates, following which a collation was served.

Colonel Frost Promoted.

Winsted, Conn., Dec. 17.—Governor-elect Lorrin A. Cooke yesterday announced his appointment of Colonel Russell Frost of South Norwalk as brigadier general of the connecticut National Guard, to succeed General George Haven of New London, who was recently named as adjutant general on the new governor's staff. Colonel Frost at the present time is commander of the Fourth regiment, and is well-known throughout the state.

Who does your printing? THE SUN job print would do it well and save you money.

THE STEAMSHIP LAURADA.

International Complications are Not Now Liable to Arise.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The announcement by cable that the notorious steamship Laurada has sailed directly from Palermo for Gibraltar, instead of forcing her way into the harbor of Valencia, gave great satisfaction to the officials here, who feared that international trouble was about to be caused without adequate reason.

It was admitted that, as a matter of law, the Laurada had a right to enter any Spanish port in time of peace, as at present. It was, moreover, not doubted that the Spanish officials at Valencia would see to it that she enjoyed her treaty rights so far as they were able to insure them.

But Valencia has always been regarded as a dangerous spot, subject to riots and popular spasms of violence, and it was feared here that the appearance there of the Laurada, known to have been in the service of Cuban insurgents, would be resented by the excitable populace; that rioting and bloodshed would follow, and perhaps through an attack upon the United States consulate, a casus belli might result. Therefore, the officials here breathed easier when it was made known to them that the vessel's owners had concluded to avoid trouble, by taking their cargo at Gibraltar instead of at Valencia.

Electricity For Chicago.

New York, Dec. 17.—The Niagara Electric company, that practically owns Niagara Falls, has extended its operations to Chicago. It has obtained from the trustees the right to use the vast power of the great drainage canal, constructed by the city of Chicago. There has been quietly incorporated in Illinois the Chicago Electric Development company, that will be the parent corporation for all the electrical schemes based on the drainage canal power. The president is Frank W. Hawley of New York, who has been the chief promoter in the Erie canal electric plan. Among the directors are Thomas C. Platt and Commodore P. Vedder, both directors in the Cataract General Electric company. Among others in the combine are W. K. Vanderbilt, D. O. Mills, J. P. Morgan, Charles Lanier, John J. Astor, Baron Von Hoffman, W. K. Jessup, Joseph Laroque and Francis Lyden Stetson. The national capital of the Chicago Electric Development company is $1,000,000.

Stuart's Big Job.

New York, Dec. 17.—Dan A. Stuart, who has been in New York the past week arranging his plans to bring Corbett and Fitzsimmons together in the ring some time in the near future, will meet Corbett today, when the latter will consider Stuart's proposition and sign articles of agreement. Stuart, it is said, will offer a purse of $15,000 for a glove contest, to be held in the early part of 1897, and will guarantee to furnish a battleground where a fight to a finish can be held without interference, or forfeit the entire purse. He will post a part of the purse when the articles are signed, and the remainder on a date to be decided upon. Stuart refuses to divulge the name of the place where the contest will take place or anything about his plans, but says that if Corbett and Fitzsimmons want to fight, they need not worry about the affair after signing articles.

A Disastrous Blaze.

Nashville, Dec. 17.—A special from Clarksville states that a most destructive fire started in Joseph Rosenfield & Co.'s dry goods store last night, destroying it and the building next to it, owned by the French estate, The Daily Times and Sam Rosenfield's store. The fire was checked by the firewall of John Hurst & Co.'s building, saving the remainder of the block. Buildings across the street were damaged by heat. The Losses: Rosenfield, on stock, $60,000; building, $16,000; Frech building, $6000; Times (newspaper), $3000, insured. The total loss was about $75,000; insurance not ascertained.

Cruiser Boston Injured.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 17.—Private letters from Seoul, Korea, received by the Empress of India, Wednesday night, state that the United States cruiser Boston is seriously strained, and may be obliged to come home as quickly as possible for repairs. On the 6th of last month she ran aground on a sand pit in Flying Fish channel, 12 miles outside of Chemulpo, hanging there until the following morning, when, at the most favorable stage of the tide, she was released with her own power.

Mexican Finance.

City of Mexico, Dec. 17.—The official statement of the national finances for the last fiscal year, which ended June 30 last, show revenues $5,531,470, and disbursements $45,070,123, with a surplus of $5,541,347. Bankers regard the outlook as one justifying very bright anticipations. Manufacturing industries are multiplying, and tropical agriculture is continuing to expand. This year's coffee crop will be the largest in the history of the country.

Factory Trouble at Holyoke.

Holyoke, Mass., Dec. 17.—Secretary Samuel Ross of the National Spinners' union held a conference with the spinners of the Lyman mills last night. He advised the men to retain the position they have taken, and said they would receive an expression from the national council before Monday. He said the trouble had been forced upon them by the action of the overseer, and he deemed it more a lockout than a strike. He said the strike would affect none of the other mills in the city.

Maine Council Meets.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 17.—Governor Cleaves and council met at the state house yesterday, and after the transaction of the regular routine work reports were presented. There are at present 161 steam vessels on the inland waters of Maine. Licenses have been issued to 171 pilots and 168 engineers. The council also confirmed several nominations. This is the last meeting at which Governor Cleaves will preside, with the exception of the final, Dec. 29, 1896.

Aged Woman Burned to Death.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 17.—With the upper portion of her body burned to a crisp, and her clothing still smouldering, Mrs. Sarah Mullen, aged 60 years, was found dead by her 18-year-old son Edward. She was seated at a kitchen table, with her head resting in her hands. Her clothing had evidently become ignited while she was building the kitchen fire, and she became unconscious before dying. The position of the body aroused suspicion, and the coroner is investigating the case.

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MASTA'S PULMONIC BALSAM.

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SENATE SUITS HIM.

John Sherman Has No Desire to Sit In President McKinley's Cabinet.

Cleveland, Dec. 17.—A local paper says: Senator Sherman will not be a member of the McKinley cabinet. He will, however, be a candidate for re-election to the senate. These statements are made officially. The information comes from a reliable source, and several of the senator's most intimate friends in Cleveland admitted that they knew it was a fact.

The senator's friends say that he feels that he can be of more assistance to the administration of Major McKinley in the senate than in the cabinet.

His candidacy for re-election brings up the interesting question as to what the attitude of the Foraker faction in the matter will be.

Governor Bushnell would undoubtedly like to serve as senator from Ohio, and he has Senator Foraker's friendship. But it is a question yet to be settled, whether the Forakerites will oppose the senior senator from Ohio.

McKinley Goes to Join His Wife.

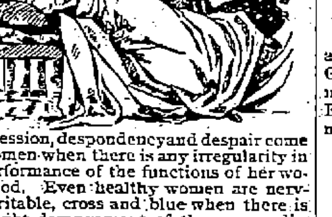
Canton, O., Dec. 17.—Major McKinley is on his way to join his wife in Chicago. He left Canton at 9:27 last evening, accompanied by H. O. Heisland, national committeeman; Charles G. Dawes, who remained over to accompany the president-elect, and special newspaper men, who have been stationed here for months. Major McKinley's brother, Abner, came from Pennsylvania to join the president-elect during the Chicago visit.

To Succeed Colonel Fellows.

Albany, Dec. 17.—Governor Morton yesterday appointed William M. K. Olcott of New York district attorney of the county of New York, in the place made vacant by the death of Colonel John R. Fellows. Mr. Olcott will hold this office under this appointment until Jan. 1, 1899, when his successor, to be appointed at the next general election, will be installed.

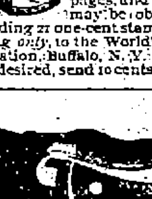
Steel Rails Reduced.

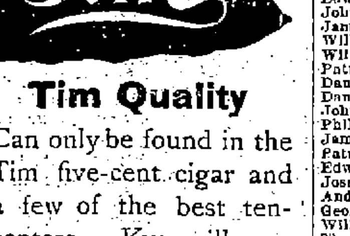
Pittsburg, Dec. 17.—The Post today says it has authority to announce that as a result of the agitation in the steel trade generally, steel rails will be reduced from $28 to $25 a ton. This cut is made to induce more business and to be in line with lower prices in other branches of the steel trade.



Depression, despondency and despair come to a women when there is any irregularity in the performance of the functions of her womanhood. Even healthy women are nervous, irritable, cross and blue when there is any slight derangement of the organs distinctively feminine. The whole body seems to be influenced by it. The nerves are on edge. Temper and tears come without apparent cause. These things show the importance of womanly health. These things show that there is great, urgent, constant need of such a remedy as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This great medicine works directly on but one set of organs in a woman's body. It soothes any inflammation that may be present. It purifies and invigorates. It cures when doctors have failed, and it does away with any necessity of distasteful examinations and local treatment, which are so frequently insisted upon by physicians. The "Favorite Prescription" is the preparation of an eminent and successful practitioner. It has been used by Dr. Pierce in his daily practice in the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., one of the leading medical institutions in the world. It has cured thousands of women and relieved them of the pains and distress that many times lead directly to death or insanity. It can be obtained at any drug store.

Every woman in America ought to have Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, and ought to read the several chapters of the book devoted to the reproductive physiology of woman. It is of the most vital importance that every woman should know about these things, and they are told in plain, simple, straightforward language by a physician who has made a specialty of the diseases of women. The book contains over 1000 pages, and a copy, paper-covered, may be obtained *absolutely free* by sending 21 one-cent stamps, to cover the cost of mailing *only*, to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. If French cloth binding is desired, send 10 cents extra (31 cents in all).





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FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION Of Yesterday.

TERRIFIC STORM

Raging Along the Atlantic Coast.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE TO SAILING VESSELS.

Trolley Lines Suffer Throughout New England.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The predicted storm struck the city about 10 o'clock last night. The snow soon began falling and this morning it is very thick in the harbor. Few vessels are moving.

The storm seems to extend along the entire Atlantic coast and hardly any steamers scheduled to sail today ventured out. No serious damage is reported at any New England point, but a severe storm has generally impeded business and traffic.

At New York.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Dec. 16.—The storm which set in yesterday developed into a snow and sleet storm and continued with great force this morning. It is thick off shore, wires are down and there are no reports from the life savers. Travel in the harbor is greatly impeded. Only two steamers reached port this morning, Starlight from Swansea and Asloun from China ports. Steamers will probably not sail today.

At New Haven.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 16.—A snow storm of unusual severity is raging in this section. Six inches of snow have fallen. The fall term of Yale university closed today for the Christmas recess.

Seven Inches of Snow.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 16.—The snow is seven inches deep. The storm is still raging, schools are closed, and business is at a standstill.

Damage in New York.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Nyack, N. Y., Dec. 16—There were high snow drifts this morning in some parts of the county. Some damage was done by wind. The thermometer registers 18 above zero.

Storm in Connecticut.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New London, Conn., Dec. 16.—This harbor is crowded with sailing craft on account of the storm which is one of the worst in years. The sound steamers were late and in the city trolley lines are affected.

Wants Annexation.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 16.—The secret of Henry Cooper's mission to the United States is out. Mr. Cooper is Hawaiian minister of foreign affairs. He is quoted as saying he came to the United States to urge annexation, owing to the fears the Hawaiian government has of Japan.

Over Fifteen Killed.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Munich, Dec. 16.—The loss of life by an explosion which destroyed the Von Gromer match factory at Aschaffenburg is much greater than previously reported. Fifteen women and girls were killed and many fatally and seriously injured.

To Petrify Bodies.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Chicago, Dec. 16—Charles D. and Frank D. Boydston of this city claim to have discovered a method for petrifying human bodies, and preserving them forever.

Cuban Recruits.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 16—There are already over 300 Cuban recruits enrolled here.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 16—A large company is being organized here under Edward Hastings to join Cuban insurgents.

HOT FROM THE WIRE.

The Hamburg American line steamer Thuringia, from Hamburg, Nov. 13 and Havre 17th for West India, is ashore off Point Curacao, Venezuela.

Considerable testimony describing the plans of the barkentine Herbert Fuller took up opening hours in today's session of the Bram trial.

The presentation of a silver service to the cruiser Marblehead by Marblehead citizens here this afternoon, was postponed until tomorrow on account of the storm.

INDUSTRY COUNCIL

Royal Arcanum—List of Charter Members—Officers Elected.

Industry Council, Royal Arcanum, recently instituted, held a regular meeting last evening. The election of officers took place according to rule the board first chosen being re-elected. The charter list of members is as follows:

Thomas P Boulger	George F Maguire
Hugh H Brogan	John E Maguire
Edward W Cahill	William H Mahoney
John J Cluin	Rev John McKenna
James P Corrigan	James J McMannon
William J Coughlin	Hugh C McOsker
William H Cox	Daniel S O'Brien
Patrick J Custy	Dennis O'Brien
Daniel J Donahue	Maurice J O'Connor
Daniel P Doyle	Thomas E O'Day
John E Drury	James F O'Donnell
Phillip J Farley	Florence J O'Donoghue
James W Finnegan	Henry J O'Dowd
Patrick J Frawley	Jeremiah O'Neill
Edward Gallagher	Thomas F Quirk
Joseph H Gormley	William J Reardon
Andrew J Halpin	Daniel F Reilly
George M Harrigan	Timothy J Reynolds
William H Harrigan	Patrick Sheivey
Thomas F Harrington	James H Sullivan
Edward E Hill	John B Swift
John J Hogan	Hugh Walker
Robert F Hurley	

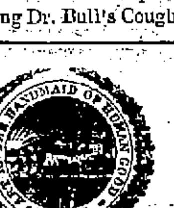
THEY ARE NOT SLOW.

Overseers of Poor Journey to New York for Something or Other.

The overseers of the poor are off on a junket to New York. They left quietly Monday evening and took Col. Pindar with them. Every member of the board went, and the object of their journey to the metropolis is not known and will not be known, till they return. Probably they are looking for a new ambulance. They will be back Friday evening.

A True Maxim.

Nothing succeeds like success, is a maxim well applied to Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, for this famous remedy succeeds in curing every case of croup, cough and cold which it undertakes, and to this alone is due its wonderful popularity. Mrs. E. W. Richards, 2214 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia, Pa., states: "I have had Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup on my bureau for the last nine years, and have found it a certain and safe cure for croup. I have also found it efficacious in extreme membraneous croup, and would advise all mothers to use it." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs only 25 cents, and you should bear in mind, that substitutes simply benefit the dealer's purse. Insist on getting Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.



City of Lowell

Auditor's Office, Dec. 16, 1896.

Persons having bills against the City of Lowell are requested to present them at this office on or before Saturday, the 19th inst.

Bills not presented as above will remain unpaid until Feb. 10, 1897.

DAVID CHASE, Auditor.

NOTICE TO ENGINEERS.

There will be a lecture for Engineers Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, at 8 o'clock, in old Odd Fellows' hall, Merrimack street. P. H. Hogan, Chief Engineer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Herbert E. Stone, Chief Engineer at Harvard University, will speak on subjects of interests to Engineers. All Engineers are invited to attend. Admission free.

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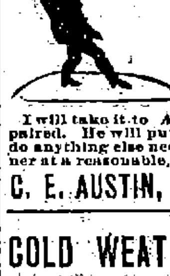

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JOSEPH W. LEACH, Room 12, Shedd's Block. Pianist and Teacher of Singing.

JOHN W. McEVOY, 137 Central St., Opp. American House. Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

COURTNEY & COURTNEY, Mansur Block. Counsellors-at-Law. William F. Courtney. Henry S. Courtney.

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WANT COLUMN.

LOST—Saturday, a. m., Dec. 12, a sum of money inclosed in a leather case, name owner on inside of cover. Please return to Middlesex Steam laundry, 140 Middlesex street, and be rewarded.

WANTED—Good men to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home. No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Fern Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—4 room flat at 634 Broadway.

TO LET—Sunny five room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 521 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

WANTED—500 Ladies to call at the Union Supply, 85 Merrimack street, up one flight, room 2, to get dressed in good style. The best of garments, mackintoshes, dresses, wrappers and millinery. Cash or credit. Lowest of prices. Over Central Savings bank.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share, must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1804, Boston.

FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—A position as stenographer and typewriter; experienced; mercantile or legal work; can give good recommendations; also good references. Address B, Sun office, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 8 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1800. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a two-tenement house near new bridge. This is an excellent chance to buy a home and on easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Athun Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—Just the place you want to make money on a 4 tenement block in Belvidere. Pays 12 per cent. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Diamond Brand) are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c., stamps, for particulars, "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return mail. At Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

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FOR SALE—Good boarding and lodging house near John street. All new furniture and in good shape. 50 boarders. This is an excellent location for business. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelop. Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred P. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

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Week Beginning Monday, Dec. 14th.

The Savoy Theatre Co. in a Brilliant Production of Robertson's great 3-act Comedy,

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Friday Night Souvenirs—Every lady in the audience Friday evening will receive an autograph-photograph of Mrs. Georgie Dickson.

NEXT WEEK—Wallack's Greatest of Military Plays, "Rosedale."

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Three Nights Beginning Thursday, December 17, 18, 19. Matinee Saturday at 2.30.

THE FAMOUS Watson Sisters

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THE WEATHER.

Sun rises—7:08; sets, 4:13.
Length of day—9h. 5m.
Moon sets—4:57 a. m.
Full sea—9:15 a. m.; 9:45 p. m.

Forecast for New England: Clearing in the morning, preceded by local snows on the east coast; high northerly winds, decreasing in force; slowly rising temperature.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance, Donovan bl'd.

M. Caproni, the sculptor from Boston, took an excellent death mask of the late Thomas Carolin, last night.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin the 1018 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone conection.

The auction sale of a stock of groceries on Willie street, today, has been postponed until Friday at 11 o'clock. Per order of E. R. Mansur, auctioneer.

Smokers', attention is called to misleading imitations of the popular 7-20-4 10c. cigar. See that every cigar is brandon 7-20-4, which is a guaranten of imported filled and wrapper and strictly hand-made.

£ Xmas Drafts £.

For sale payable in Ireland, England and Scotland at Murphy's agency, 18 Appleton street. 25 years in the business.

Shakespearean Reading.

In the hall of the Middlesex Women's club last evening Mr. Hannibal Williams gave an admirable reading of King Henry IV.

Court City of Lowell.

Court City of Lowell, F. of A., elected the following officers last evening: Chief ranger, Michael P. Reagan; sub chief ranger, R. P. Monehan; financial secretary, Patrick McGilly; treasurer, James O'Brien; recording secretary, John W. O'Brien; senior woodward, Arthur J. Lorraine; junior woodward, John Murningham; senior beadle, Daniel Shanahan; junior beadle, Dennis J. Winn; trustees, three years, Samuel Scott; two years, Thos. Higgins. There were remarks by Deputy Chief Ranger, Jas. Miskella.

MUM IS THE WORD.

Mayor Courtney Has Not Intimated His Policy to Anybody.

Mayor Courtney says he has intimated to no one what policy he will pursue relative to testing the mayor's powers under the amended charter.

"Whatever rumors are being circulated have no foundation in fact," said the mayor.

"I have not said to anyone that I will remove Chief Hosmer in order to test the charter amendments. As I said before, my intentions, I have not declared to anybody."

Dolls and Toys.

We have got an elegant assortment of these necessary holiday goods at very low prices. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 63 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

SOME CRISP GOSSIP.

Ed. Leary's many friends in this city anxiously waited the result of Tuesday's election in Boston. And when the report reached them that the council had gone democratic they were pleased, for it made the ex-senator sure of his city messenger's berth for another year. Alderman Mahoney who was defeated for re-election will be remembered by members of the Lowell city council for his kind attention to them during the Seventeenth of June festivities.

A recount is more of a strain than an election on many candidates. It worries them considerably and keeps them guessing where they are at. I was tempted to say something cheerful to Abbott Lawrence during yesterday's recount.

The first state convention of the A. O. H. was held in this city 29 years ago in a hall on Merrimack street, near Palmer street. It is a strange coincidence that the first state convention of the ladies of the A. O. H. should also be held in this city.

Among those who attended yesterday's convention of the ladies of the A. O. H., was M. J. Roche of Boston, the well known writer. Mr. Roche contributes to all the leading Catholic papers and magazines of the country and is an able writer.

One of the prettiest private dining apartments in the city is the cosy room fitted up by Manager Boody of the Merrimack house. It is elegantly furnished and adapted for the accommodation of social parties.

The Catholic Lyceum evidently enjoys the confidence and support of the people for at its concert last Sunday evening, it cleared about $120.

Hood's Sarsaparilla calendars are issued to the number of 12,000,000. The calendar is, as usual, a beautiful sample of the printer's and lithographer's arts. It presents the face of a child with brown eyes and golden hair, and a lovely cap or bonnet. The title is "A Purple Blossom," and it makes one of the sweetest faces the eye could rest upon. On the back of the calendar are printed the astronomical calculations for the year with other interesting matter.

No Gripe

When you take Hood's Pills. The big, old-fashioned, sugar-coated pills, which tear you all to pieces, are not in it with Hood's. Easy to take

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ROYAL—the most celebrated of all the baking powders in the world—celebrated for its great leavening strength and purity. It makes your cakes, biscuit, bread, etc., healthful, it assures you against alum and all forms of adulteration that go with the cheap brands.

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The Stationary Engineers.

The stationary engineers of this city assembled in Odd Fellow's hall on Merrimack street last evening and were addressed by P. H. Hogan chief engineer of the Institute of technology and president of the Massachusetts Association of stationary engineers; H. E. Stone chief engineer of Harvard college; John G. Perkins of the Garlock Packing Co., Boston; and Edward Hughes of the Dean Steam Co., Boston.

Picturesque Lowell

Is the title of a very beautiful illustrated book just brought out by us. It contains 16 Lowell views and includes Merrimack street, Central street, City Hall, Memorial Building, High School, new Court House, Grace Church, Pawtucket Falls, the Armory, St. Anne's Church, Fort Hill Park, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mills at Lowell, the Merrimack River from Andover Street, Lowell Jail and the grave of J. C. Ayer. The price is **25 cents.** Just the thing to send to your friends.

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Never so well made, never so pretty, never so cheap before. Afternoon Aprons, Morning Aprons, Kitchen Aprons, Office and Store Aprons, Shop and Mill Aprons from 12 1-2c to $4.75 each; but you can find what you want for mother or daughter, wife or sister, your mother-in-law or your best girl, at 25, 35, 39, 42, 50 cents up to $1, and nothing could be more desirable or acceptable. If you think of buying aprons come to us as our stock outranks all others combined.

FANCY AND LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS

For man, woman and child 5c to $1 each, which embraces the best plain hemstitched, embroidered, tape borders, colored borders, etc., to be had in the country. Nearly all our Linen Handkerchiefs are made by the well known Scotch-Irish manufacturers of Belfast, Messrs. Glendenning, McLeish & Co., and for twelve years we have handled their goods, and have always found them in every way satisfactory. Will you look at our line before you buy.

LAMBREQUINS, CHAIR AND TABLE CLOTHS AND SCARFS

We buy these goods for Christmas gifts and every thing shown is clean fresh, pretty and cheap. Lambrequins from 75c to $3.25 each. Picture Throws from 25c to $1.52 each.

BOSTON BAGS

Either 10, 11 or 12 inch. Best leather lined Boston Bags only 99c each. They are usually sold at $1.25 and $1.50, but we keep all colors and combinations of the very best, and ask you 99c.

PURSES AND POCKETBOOKS

For men, women and children 5c to $2 each.
Ask to see the "Cano" Purse or Book 25c up to $1.50.

LADIES' KID GLOVES

59c to $1.39 and a Fancy Kid Glove Box, free with all those at $1 and above. Gentlemen can always please lady friends with one or more pairs of Kid Gloves from this stock. Painstaking and agreeable salesladies will assist you in making selections which will surely please, black, white, honey, tan, mode, slate, are staple colors, and are worn by all women.

CLOAK DEPARTMENT

And now another reduction in prices of Stylish Outside Garments. Good Jackets for $1, better Jackets for $2. $12.50 Jackets for $5. $20 and $25 Jackets for $10. Thirty-inch Coney Capes, good quality, $3.75. Children's Garments $2 and $3, they cost $6.50 and $8. We shall place on sale today a new lot of $5 Skirts. It is unnecessary for us to recommend them. Our Skirts have already made a reputation for themselves.

UMBRELLAS

We have a large and varied assortment of Umbrellas, in all sizes, for ladies, gentlemen and children. They are made with plain and fancy natural wood, gold, silver or agate handles, in fact with every thing that is stylish in an Umbrella handle. Prices range from 50c to $5.

LINENS, LINENS, LINENS

In our Linen Department you will find something that is always useful and acceptable as a Christmas Gift, Linen Table Sets, Towels, Napkins Doylies, etc., etc.

SILK MUFFLERS

We bought in New York, last week, a big job lot of Silk Mufflers, in black, white and cream-white. We have marked them to sell at 49c up to $2. See that others don't charge you 75c, for what we sell at 49c.

HAND KNIT BEADED FASCINATORS

From 50c upwards. Hand Knit Hoods, Capes, Jackets, Shawls, everything in Mittens, Leggings, Alaska Shields. If you want the best shaped knit goods, we carry the immense assortment for you to pick from.

GENTS' TIES. GENTS' TIES

Remember that we claim that we have the prettiest, as well as the lowest priced Ties in the city, in both Teck and Four-in-Hand styles. The daintiest and most exquisite patterns and figures as can be found in the market. Ladies are especially invited to inspect this stock as in it they will find "just what" gentlemen friends want for Christmas.

HOLIDAY DEPARTMENT

We open today our new and complete stock of Holiday Articles, such as Vases, Gloves, Handkerchiefs and Jewel Cases, Clocks, Match Safes, Napkin Rings, Flower Bowls, large and small size Plaques, Cologne Bottles, Atomizers, etc.

THE O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE COMPANY

7 DAYS MORE OF PROFIT SACRIFICING IN OUR

HOLIDAY DIVIDEND SALE HOLIDAY

7 DAYS MORE OF RECORD BREAKING SALES.

It's an urgent necessity that stocks be cleared. We must have immense Sales, no matter what the sacrifice and quote prices to meet the emergency.

Brown Sheetings, 5c. per yard. | Outing Flannel Night Gowns, 49c. | Lace Curtains, 39c. a pair. | Best Quality Printed Satines, 6 1-4c. | Ribbons, 1c. a yard. | 40 inch Sheeting, 6½c. | Morris Chairs, $4.75 and $5.98. | Colored China Silks 10c. a yard.

ANY PORT IN A STORM. ANY PRICE IN AN EMERGENCY.

There Is One Real Christmas Department In Lowell

And That is our store. Our display this year surpasses all previous efforts so far that you can have no conception of Our Great Holiday Exposition, from what you saw before. Toys, Dolls, Games, Music Boxes, and every conceivable plaything for Children amusing and instructive, at prices that scarely count. O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

Basement Holiday Dept.

Mr. P. J. Kinseller, Mgr.

Everything fancy can suggest or imagine to select from here.

Bottle Castors, engraved bottles, $1.49 to $5.00 each.

Pickle jars in four colors of glass, 89c. each.

Napkin Rings 19c. to $3.00 each.

Gold lined Mugs 19c. to $2.50 each.

Children's Sets, Knife, Fork and Spoon, 19c. to $3.00 per set.

Rogers 1847 grade, 6 Knives and 6 Forks, $3.98 per set.

Chocolate Sets, 15 pieces only $4.98 each.

Tete-a-Tete Sets, 14 pieces only $4.98 each.

Fish Sets, 13 pieces, only $5.98 each.

Tea Sets, 9 pieces, only $2.98 each.

Ice Cream Sets, 13 pieces, only $4.89 each.

Beautiful Vases, Jardinetres, Bric-a-Brac, Dinner Sets and Fancy China for very little money the balance of this week.

An Extreme Christmas Novelty, Entirely New.

Real Kid Gloves, fancy embroidered and beaded points, $1.75 a pair.

Big Slaughter in Men's Furnishings

Prices Way Down.

A rare chance to purchase Neckwear at half price.

100 dozen Light Colored Silk Neckwear in tecks and four-in-hand, elegantly assorted patterns, for this week only 25 cents each.

What's Prettier For Christmas Than a

Black Dress.

A Stupendous Sacrifice This Week.

10 pieces of Black Crepon, $1.75, $2 and $2.25 goods, your choice this week, $1.25 a yard.

English and American Twills, 54 inches wide, sold to date 87c and $1, for this week 49c per yard.

Figured Mohairs, beautiful goods, for this week 39c per yard.

Black Henrietta, 45 inches wide, $1 grade, for this week 49c per yard.

1 lot 10c per yard—1 lot 14c per yard.

These quantities are very limited and may not last throughout the day, "Therefore Hasten."

Tremendous Mark Down

In Upholstery Dept.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 79c kind, down to 49c a pair.

Ruffled Muslin Curtains, full width, $1.50 kind, down to 98c a pair.

Ruffled Fish Net Curtains, full width, $1.75 kind, down to $1.29 a pair.

Best Smyrna Rugs, size 30x60, $3.25 kind, down to $1.79 each.

Best Carpet Sweepers, $3 kind, down to $1.98 each.

Carpet Sweepers, sold to date $1.69, down to 98c each.

Fish Net, 50 inches wide, sold to date for 25c, down to 11c per yard.

Now Don't Crowd! But Come Leisurely to our

Linen Counter.

The people have positively stampeded this department the past week, the values have been so attractive. We do not want to overcrowd, as it impedes good work and causes annoyance to our patrons. Suffice it to say we will continue to offer the balance of the week the same bargains we offered Monday and Tuesday. Towels, Napkins, Crashes, Table Covers, Stamped Linens, etc., at ridiculous prices.

Men's Hosiery.

Stock Reducing Sale.

Lot 1—Men's Camel Hair half Hose, reduced to 9 cents a pair.

Lot 2—Men's 2-thread Gray Merino half Hose, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Lot 3—Men's Gray Wool and Camel Hair half Hose, down to 17 cents a pair.

Lot 4—Men's English Merino and Black Cashmere half Hose spliced, heels and soles, hand finished seams, reduced to 25 cents a pair.

Lot 5—Men's Blue Ribbed Heavy Weight Hose, Contoocook A., reduced to 29 cents a pair.

Lot 6—A genuine 2-thread Hermsdorf Black Cotton Hose, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Sacrifice Selling in

Ribbons Today.

Great Bargains Start You Here Today.

Several thousand yards of all Silk, Satin and Gros-grain Ribbon, No. 2, 3, 4, in a vast variety of colors, only 1 cent per yard.

Another lot, same grade, No. 9, 12 and 16 only 5 cents per yard.

Suspenders.

An elegant assortment of fancy Suspenders, suitable for holiday, trade, in plain and embroidered satines and fancy silks at very moderate prices. Also a very large assortment of Men's Sleeve Garters, ranging in price from 10 cents to $1 a pair.

Ladies' Gloves.

All Gloves sold by us are absolutely reliable and guaranteed to give reasonable satisfaction, otherwise we shall refund money or replace them with new ones. Fitting a specialty.

Extra Quality Glace and Pique Gloves in the very latest colorings and fancy embroidered points; also a very pretty line of Mocha Gloves, dainty embroidered points, 98 cents a pair.

Ladies' and Children's Knit Underwear.

Broken lots of Ladies' Jersey Vests and Pants, reduced to 12 1-2 cents each.

1 lot of Jersey Vests and Pants, fleece lined, crochet silk ribbon necks, silk facing, rare value, at 29 cents each.

Children's Extra Quality Jersey Vests and Pants, Harvard goods, reduced to 25 cents each.

An Importers' Stock of

Handkerchiefs

Bought by Us at 50c. on the Dollar Delivered Yesterday. Examine These Lots.

Fancy Border Handkerchiefs. 1 cent, 2 cents, 3 cents, 4 cents, 5 cents—just one-half price.

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 5 cents, 6 1-4 cents, 8 cents and 10 cents each.

Ladies' Irish Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 10 cents, 12 1-2 cents, 15 cents, 19 cents and 25 cents each.

Ladies' Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs in an endless variety of designs, 10, 12 1-2, 15, 19, 25 and 33 cents each.

Ladies' Fancy Lace Handkerchiefs, special for Xmas gifts, one or 2 in a box, 49 cents, 75 cents, $1, $1.39, $1.50, and up to $2.75 each.

1 special lot of Duchess Lace Handkerchiefs, sold to date for $5 down to $2.39 each.

Ladies' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 33 to 49 cents each.

Ladies' Fancy Box Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, one-half dozen in a box, 75 cents.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, half a dozen in a box, $1.50 to $3 a box.

Children's Fancy Box Handkerchiefs, 15, 19 and 25 cents a box.

Gents' Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, a great variety of tape border and hemstitched, 10, 12 1-2, 15, 25 and 33c each.

Gents' Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, 17, 19 and 25c.

Gents' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 50, 75 and 98c.

Ladies' and Gents' Silk Mufflers, in elegant brocade and Fancy Japanese Crepe, in black, white, cream and fancy colors, 33, 50, 59, 75c and $1, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, $2 to $3 each.

Men's Gloves.

We are showing an elegant assortment of Men's Kid Gloves, suitable for dress and street wear, 75 cents to $1.50 a pair.

1 lot of Men's Leather Gloves, reduced from $1 to 75 cents a pair.

Feather Boas.

Sumptuously pretty, just the thing for holiday gifts, that the prices are not prohibitive is simply due to the large buying that saves waste and expenses. You can buy them here today from $2.49 to $15.00 even.

Hosiery, Hosiery.

Ladies' 2-thread Heavy Fast Black Cotton Hose, spliced soles, reduced to 10 cents a pair.

Ladies' Black Wool Hose, Grey Merino heels and toes, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, reduced to 19 cents a pair.

Misses' Plain Ribbed Black Wool Hose, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Boys' Heavy Weight Black Fleeced Hose, reduced to 19 cents a pair.

Misses' and Boys' Heavy Weight Black Wool Hose corduroy ribbed, very desirable 25 cents a pair.

We Will Sell Choice Mixed Candy, From Now Until Christmas at

10c. Per Pound

In Our Basement.

Furniture Department.

We are offering Ladies' Desks, Fancy Chairs, Music and Parlor Cabinets, Onyx Tables, Tabourettes, Book Cases and various kinds of fancy furniture suitable for Christmas gifts, from 30 to 40 per cent. less than the goods were ever previously offered. Come in and see for yourself.

SECOND EDITION

The Sun is the only evening penny paper in Lowell printing Telegraphic News.

THIEF ARRESTED

With a Stolen Garment Under His Arm.

HE HAD TAKEN IT FROM A HALLWAY.

Other Articles Stolen by Sneak Thieves.

Officer Maher held up a seedy-looking individual on Merrimack street last night, the latter carrying an article of wearing apparel under his arm. The stranger at first said the cloak belonged to his wife, but afterward told a different story. Officer Maher decided to arrest him on suspicion, and at the station he gave the name of William Kennedy. Later, Mis Maggie Buckley of 11 Suffolk Corp., reported that her sack had been stolen from the hallway while she was at supper and she identified the garment taken from Kennedy as her own.

In court this morning Kennedy got seven months in jail and Judge Hadley complimented the officer highly for his diligent work while on duty. In concluding, he said: "If we had more officers like Officer Maher there would be less of these offences."

Napoleon Bancour has lost a beaver overcoat from the hallway of his boarding house on the Tremont corporation and he doesn't believe that the coat walked off.

A boarder at 139 Colburn street has a pair of pants stolen from his room yesterday.

ON SHORT TIME.

Agent Saunders of the Middlesex Mills Makes Important Announcement.

Agent Saunders of the Middlesex mills made the following announcement today: "Commencing next Monday the Middlesex mills will run on short time. The employes will report for work at 8 o'clock every morning and stop at 12 for dinner; resume at 1 o'clock and stop for the day at 3.30. The mills will run only five days a week, closing all day Saturday."

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MATRIMONIAL.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 17—The marriage of Hon. Fisher Hildreth Pearson of Lowell, Mass. and Miss Lalla Mead of this city took place at 8 o'clock this evening at the residence of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Elder E. L. Powell of the First Christian church in the presence of a fashionable assembly.

The bride wore a gown of white satin trimmed with duchesse lace and tulle.

Miss Jessie Summers, the maid of honor, wore white Paris muslin trimmed with green ribbons. She carried a bunch of violets.

Miss Ida McCorkie and Hannah Eddy Pearson, the bridesmaids wore Paris muslin, with pink trimmings.

The best man was Mr. Gardner W. Pearson of Lowell and the groomsmen were Messrs. Thomas P. Haley of St. Louis and Leslie Phinney of Boston. Mr. Harry Haley a cousin of the bride, sang a baritone solo, and Miss Sarah McGarvey accompanied by the violin, rendered the wedding music on the piano.

Mr. Pearson is the senator from Lowell, and as member of the legislature delivered the eulogy on Gov. Greenhalge in that body. A reception followed the wedding. Mr. Phinney and Miss Hannah Pearson will be married tomorrow evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearson after their honeymoon will reside in Lowell.

Shattuck-Gibson.

At the bride's home, 915 Bridge street, last night, Mr. George R. Shattuck, youngest son of Mr. Horace B. Shattuck, and Miss Annie B. Gibson were married. The Rev. Charles A. Huntington officiated.

The bride was escorted by Mr. Alfred P. Sawyer, her brother-in-law, and was given in marriage by her mother, Mrs. Moses Gibson. Mr. Edward H. Shattuck was best man. The bridal party was preceded by the maid of honor, Miss Mary Sawyer, niece of the bride, and Master Joseph Ely, Master Walter Gibson, Miss Louise Gibson and Miss Helen Huntington acting as ribbon bearers.

Mr. and Mrs. Shattuck's future home will be in Baltimore. After the reception last night they left on their wedding tour.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

TILTON—The funeral of Allie A. Tilton took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 23 Ralph street. Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., officiated and the burial was in the Lowell cemetery.

CLEGG—The funeral of Thomas Clegg took place from his late home, 2 Johnson place, in West Fourth street, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. H. Yarrow officiated and the bearers were James Wood, James Lang, John Johnson and Mr. Entwistle. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

Junkins on Top.

The recount in Lawrence has been completed and Mayor Junkins has a majority of 16 over James F. Leonard, according to the figures of the registrars. The last ballot in precinct one was counted shortly before 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

High School Foot Ball.

The High school foot ball team met yesterday and elected Joseph Herrick captain of next year's team and Thomas O'Donnell manager.

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Gold Filled Watches.
Silver Watches.
The Largest Stock and Lowest in Price.
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ARMENIAN FUGITIVE HERE

Antranik Garabedian, a Student in a Constantinople College.

He Escaped the Awful Massacre Because He Wore the French Uniform—Bodies Dumped Into the Sea—His Father, a Banker, Lost Everything, But Escaped Death—His Two Uncles Were Killed.

Among the Armenians who have reached the American shore as fugitives, from Turkish atrocity is Antranik Garabedian a young man of 19 years. He has been in this city for two months, and is undoubtedly the best educated Armenian in Lowell. He had been a student in a French college in Constantinople for three years, when the horrors of the awful massacre of last August broke over that city.

Only a brief account of that atrocious event was published in the papers of this country, but it appears that the pretext on which 15,000 Armenians were cruelly butchered was that they were plotting against the Turkish government. On that ground it is said that the Sultan ordered the massacre of all the Armenians in Constantinople.

"How did you escape" the Sun reporter asked Mr. Garabedian.

"My father's property was confiscated, and I, wearing a uniform of the French college, was permitted to go on board a steamer in the harbor. Had the government marauders supposed that I was an Armenian I should undoubtedly have

ANTRANIK GARABEDIAN,
Fugitive from Turkish Atrocity now in This City.

shared the fate of the other Armenians who were slaughtered. The soldiers were instructed to confine their cruelties to Armenians alone, and my French uniform and nothing else saved me from being numbered with the dead."

"What business was your father engaged in," asked the reporter.

"My father was in the banking business, and was quite wealthy, but when the slaughter commenced, he endeavored to make his escape as I did, and I have heard since that he still survives."

"How was the massacre conducted," queried the reporter.

"The soldiers stabbed the Armenians to death wherever they met them, and when the bloody work was over, the bodies were gathered, laid on wagons, put on board of tugboats and taken out into the harbor where they were dumped into the sea. In order that the bodies might not rise to the surface they were tied together with weights attached before they were thrown overboard.

"One of my uncles was among the number, while I know not whether my other uncle escaped as a fugitive or was killed, but he was probably killed."

"What do you intend to do in this country?" was asked.

"I was very glad to escape from Constantinople alive, and nothing would please me better now than an opportunity to finish my education, but as that is out of the question, I will be gratified to accept any opportunity of earning a living that may come in my way. I would rather work for my board than be idle, and am willing to engage in any kind of business that I am able to perform. I have no blood relations in this city, but my compatriots have been very kind to me since I came here. I have also been liberally aided by Rev. Fr. McKenna of St. Peter's church. Nothing would please better than to find employment in which I might be able to save enough to bring my parents to this country, because they are never out of danger while in Constantinople under the present conditions, and having lost their property they have no means of support except through their chances of employment, which are very uncertain."

"How many languages can you speak?" inquired the reporter.

"I can speak and write the French, Turkish and Armenian, and am learning English as fast as I can."

"How many Armenians in Constantinople?"

"There are 250,000 out of a population of 1,000,000. There were over 2,000,000 Armenians in Turkey altogether, but a great number has been killed in massacres throughout the Turkish empire."

Mr. Garabedian is a bright young man, intelligent and polite. He is deserving of sympathy from those who might help him in securing employment.

As an interpreter he may be of assistance to the police in some cases in which Armenians and others get mixed. A letter addressed to The Sun will reach him.

DEATHS.

BARKER— Mrs. Caroline H. Barker, aged 74 years, well known to many of the older residents, died yesterday at 139 School street. She leaves two granddaughters, Mrs. Fred Crawford and Miss Pearl Day, a brother, William H. Wardwell, and a sister, Lydia J. Crockett, the last two of Boston.

McGLYNN— Miss Bridget McGlynn, sister of the late Michael McGlynn, died at the home of her sister-in-law at 35 Reservoir street yesterday. Deceased was a devout member of St. Michael's church. Her many friends will be pained to hear of her death.

CLARK— Patrick H. Clark, aged 54 years, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ellen McCarron, 104 Pleasant street. He was unmarried and is survived by five sisters, Mrs. Anna J. Loughlin, Mrs. McCarron, Misses Alice T. and Lizzie C. Clark, and by Sister Anne of the Sacred Heart, who is a sister of Notre Dame at present stationed in Waltham: and by three brothers, Messrs. Michael F. and Cornelus C. of this city and Hugh J. of Worcester.

DOWLING—John J. Dowling, aged 41 years, died yesterday at his late home, 501 Gorham street. A wife and five children survive him.

MURREN—Daniel Murren, aged 2 years, child of William and Susanna Murren, died this morning at their home, 6 Jefferson street.

BLEACHERY IMPROVEMENTS.

Col. Bennett will Build an Addition to the Plant.

The Bleachery company is going to enlarge its plant.

An addition, and a new roof will be placed on the bleach house, and engine room and both buildings will be under one new roof. The roof will be about 100 feet square. Col. James W. Bennett has been awarded the contract for the work, and he will set his men at work as as soon as the lumber arrives. He has sub-lot the contract for the brick work to James H. Walker.

Catholic Prayer Books.

A large assortment of the latest bindings, pearl rosaries, and other religious articles suitable for a christmas present at Murphy's 18 Appleton street.

Co. C Athletic Sports.

Company C held athletic events in the drill shed of the armory last evening. Watt, Bouchard and Heath were the principals, while Fowler and Livingstone won one contest each.

THE BAZAAR.

Another Large Attendance and Fine Entertainment Last Night.

The storm did not interfere with the attendance at the bazaar last night, in aid of the Sacred Heart church. A large audience gathered in the gallery and many others visited the tables and inspected the beautiful articles.

The stage performance was given by the Nightingale minstrels, and was highly creditable in every respect. Thomas Sullivan gave a clever exhibition of baton swinging. James Daly, "Lowell's sweet tenor," sang sweetly indeed and was encored. The Nightingale quartette rendered pleasing selections, and the entertainment concluded with the act of the Val Jones Brothers, tramp and clown aerial artists.

Officer Maher Thanked.

I hereby tender to Officer Martin Maher of the local police department my sincere thanks for his diligent and effective work in recovering certain wearing apparel stolen from my house last night, and I am sure the community appreciates his very creditable performance of duty as an officer.

MISS MAGGIE BUCKLEY,
11 Tremont Corporation.

Common Sense
Should be exercised in taking a remedy for catarrh. It is caused by impurity in the blood. Snuffs and inhalants are of little avail. They have been tried in thousands of cases and have failed to cure, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to cure catarrh because it purifies the blood.

Best For Catarrh.

"I have suffered with catarrh for over thirty years and I have taken several kinds of catarrh medicine. At no time have I been so free from this disease as since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. I believe it to be the best medicine for catarrh that can be found." E. A. JENKS, Box 384, Greene, New York. Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

THE CONVENTION

Of A. O. H. Ladies' Auxiliary Bodies.

STATE ORGANIZATION WITH 2500 MEMBERS.

Officers Chosen—What the Leaders Say.

Lowell was honored yesterday by the ladies of the A. O. H., who assembled in state convention here.

Miss Delia A. Sullivan of this city was chosen the first president of the new state organization of the ladies' auxiliary. The election was unanimous, not the slightest opposition to her being manifested. The Sun yesterday detailed the proceedings up to the noon recess at 2 o'clock. Dinner was partaken of at the Merrimac house, and owing to the lateness of the hour no speeches were delivered.

When the delegates reconvened in A. O. H. hall, the reports of the committees on by-laws, and resolutions were received. The former was laid over for future consideration, and the latter was accepted and adopted.

Then came the election of officers. The secretary, P. F. Cannon was instructed to cast one ballot for Miss Sullivan for state president and she was declared elected. For the other offices there were contests, and the successful candidates were: Vice-president, Kate Hayes, Abbington; secretary, Kate Sheridan, Norfolk county; treasurer, Lizzie G. Haggett, Fitchburg. The officers were installed by Hon. E. J. Slattery.

The reports of county officers were presented. They showed five auxiliaries and 600 members in Middlesex county, two auxiliaries in Suffolk, nine in Norfolk, seven in Plymouth, one in Hampshire, one in Essex and five in Worcester. The total membership in the state is 2600.

The convention voted unanimously to hold the next state convention in Worcester.

The Middlesex county delegates present were: Misses Delia A. Sullivan, Lauretta Mayo, Katherine Burns, Josephine T. Sullivan, Annie Duffy of Lowell, Bridget Donahue, Hannah Downing, Mamie Conley, Minnie Qualters, Mary Butler of Wakefield, Katherine Burke, Margaret Russell, Annie Kelliher, Mary Stack, Margaret Ryan of Somerville, Nellie Sheehan, Mary Daley, Minnie Murphy, Kate McGrath and Mrs. Delaney of Woburn.

The President's Address.

Miss Sullivan's address of welcome to the delegates was as follows:

"Mr. State President, Brother Members and Visiting Sister Delegates:

As president of the local ladies' auxiliary it becomes my most pleasant duty to welcome you and to extend to each and every one of you the hospitality of the city. The chair will only say that to so many friends as she had the pleasure of meeting upon occasions of like character and to the many delegates who have come here for the first time, on behalf of the order and also at the request of the five local divisions of the A. O. H., I extend a most cordial welcome to the city.

"To the nation from which we are proud to derive our origin and to the organization from which we take our name we ever were and ever will be ready to yield our unforced assistance. The mere departure of woman from the duties of the domestic circle far from being a reproach to her is a virtue of the highest order when it is done from purity of motive by appropriate means and towards a virtuous purpose. And that is the principle of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. I trust that our convention today will accomplish a mountain of good."

An Excellent Beginning.

"It was an excellent beginning, and the work so well started, must result beneficially to the order. The organization is a noble one. I believe firmly in its purposes and objects, and in its success. The newly elected officers will work with one accord for the furtherance of the order's principles."

HON. E. J. SLATTERY,
State President, A. O. H.

Highly Enthusiastic.

"The convention was a very enthusiastic gathering. I can only commend the ladies for the great interest displayed. Their success means our success, and their meeting here today will encourage the members of the various auxiliaries to increase their efforts for the order's welfare."

JOHN P. MAHONEY,
County President.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Music Hall.

At Music hall for three nights beginning tonight, Thursday, Dec. 17, also Saturday matinee, the event of the season, the famous Watson sisters and their elegant company, in one of the best burlesque and vaudeville bills ever seen in Lowell, introducing two new ludicrous burlettas, constructed for laughing purposes only. The opening is a bright musical skit in which the entire company takes part, and gives ample opportunity for marches, gavottes, dances, funny comedians, handsome and talented young ladies attired in gorgeous costumes, then comes the olio of vaudeville stars of considerable merit, the whole to conclude with the funniest burlesque ever written, "Count" no account.

"The Kodak" which has met with popular success wherever produced this season will be seen at Music Hall, Dec. 21, 22, 23, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with matinee on Wednesday.

It is to be a musical comedy of the first order; the dialogue is very amusing while the music is not only melodious, but artistic. The Noss Jollity Co., who interpret the play, sustain their well known reputation to give a clean, pure and wholesome entertainment, and no doubt will receive an enthusiastic and well pleased audience. An exceptionally clever comedian, Mr. Nick Glynn, appears for the first time with this organization and is sure to create a sensation, as his specialties are entirely original and have been eagerly sought after and copied by the profession.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Nellie V. Riley to William H. Merritt on Wednesday evening Jan. 6, 1897.

THE SUN EXTRA 5 O'CLOCK

OLNEY TO APPEAR

Before Committee on Foreign Relations

IN REGARD TO THE CUBAN MATTER.

Will Advocate Non-Interference By the U. S.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Olney will go before the senate committee on foreign relations tomorrow and disclose a budget of correspondence in relation to Cuba showing the soundness of administration and to argue against any interference in the Cuban matter upon the part of the United States.

Those who style themselves "Conservatives," and who are opposed to interference rely upon Olney to pacify the people of the United States who favor the recognition of Cuba's independence and to convince them that such a course at the present time would be injudicious.

BOILED IN BATH.

An Awful Tragedy Resulting From a Home Made Turkish Bath and Spontaneous Combustion.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Stevens Point, Wis., Dec. 16—Carl Shepke, an employee of the Wisconsin Central railroad was boiled to death in a home made Turkish bath. He had been rubbed with turpentine and placed in woolen blankets, and spontaneous combustion igniting the blankets burned him frightfully.

To cure him, he was placed on a barrel of hot water and clover blossoms and covered. When the cover was removed he was found dead.

HOUSE THIEF SENTENCED.

Judge Hadley on the Advisability of Keeping Doors Locked.

Four drunks.

Thomas Sullivan got six months at the state farm.

The case of Alvira Dickson, charged with larceny, was continued until Dec. 23, when it will have been decided whether or not she is mentally responsible.

Wm. Hoban and John S. Brennan, charged driving away a team, were held in $200 until Dec. 22. The Hoban boy has only been in this country a very short time.

Daniel McMahon went into the house of Mr. C. S. Sargent in Kirk street three different times and the second time when ordered away he was looking for a woman who he thought lived there. When he left there the third time he took with him a satchel containing about $9 worth of underwear, etc. He pawned the goods and was arrested by Officer Duncan. In court he pleaded guilty and the court, in sentencing him to jail for eight months said: "The house thieves have become an intolerable nuisance and must be severely dealt with for the protection of householders, who by the way should be more careful about keeping their doors locked than they are at present."

A SUGGESTION

Are you undecided what to put on the free for HER? Come in and see our new style of white kid, high heel, pointed toe Slippers.

No. We do not recommend them for December street wear—but for a real dress-up foot ornament they are the handsomest gem that a shoemaker has ever produced.

If the price seems too low for a Xmas present you can pay us twice what we ask and take two pairs.

And for the little one—we have boxes full of Xmas Shoes that will make them dance with joy—the cutest children's felt slippers brown and red with fur trimming and brownie heads, and commencing Wednesday Santa Claus has instructed us to give each good child visiting our store accompanied by its parent a token of his good will.

O'SULLIVAN BROS.
Opposite City Hall.

ENGLAND SHAKEN

By an Earthquake Early This Morning.

CAUSING WIDESPREAD CONSTERNATION AND AWE.

People Left Their Homes in Terror.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

London, Dec. 17.—Great Britain is in the throes of a genuine and unparalled sensation. An earthquake, the most violent ever experienced in the country has shaken every shire from Durham to Surrey and from London to the Welsh coast. The disturbance was first noticed at 5.30 o'clock this morning and lasted from four to thirty seconds. At several points two distinct shocks were felt. The most severe were at Cheltenham, Ledbury and Dean Forest. The shock was accompanied by a loud, rushing sound, buildings were violently shaken, and furniture shifted and upset. The inhabitants panic-stricken fled from their homes.

Wild Scenes of Panic.

Hereford Cathedral was injured by the shock. The panic at Hereford was so great that the people seemed to go mad. They rushed wildly into the streets. One woman died of fright. Many chimneys fell. At Liverpool the shock was preceded by a heavy thunder and hail storm. At London it was only slightly felt. A singular phenomenon occurred at Bridge North previous to the disturbance. The streets seemed suddenly on fire then came a violent report accompanied by the earth shaking.

Married in London.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

London, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Coleman Drayton, eldest daughter of Mrs. Wm. Astor who some time ago secured a divorce from her husband on grounds of desertion was married at one o'clock this afternoon by a special license to George Haig, a whiskey merchant.

Terrific Fire, Loss $500,000.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 17.—The Casino building at Schenley park was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The cause of the fire was the bursting of a large ammonia cylinder in an ice machine of the skating rink. The loss is about $500,000.

CHURCH COUNCIL

On the First Gong. Troubles Adjourned.

THE DECISION WILL BE GIVEN ON DEC. 23.

The Advocates of Both Sides Pleaded Hard.

The advisory council of Congregational churches held a lengthy session yesterday and finally adjourned to Dec. 23, when the report will be made.

During the day Prof. Smythe occupied an hour and a half reading a paper in defence of Rev. M. Kenngott, and Rev. Mr. Page of Lawrence read a similar paper. Rev. Dr. Webb read a lengthy document defending the First Congregational church.

REV. GEORGE F. KENNGOTT.

The vote on the following question was taken: "That the body now worshipping in the First Congregational church is the First Congregational church and that it has never been incorporated." It was carried 23 to 10. The result of the vote, so it is said, caused three or four of Rev. Mr. Kenngott's supporters to become indignant and they threatened to leave the council and have nothing further to do with it. However to pacify them it was finally agreed to reconsider the vote to give a committee of five an opportunity to confer with the two churches to see if they could not bring about a reconciliation.

LOCAL NOTES.

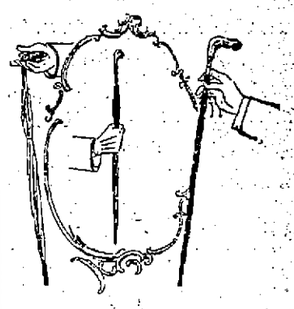
See locals on page 3.

Elegant rubber-tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson street. Telephone 439-4.

The election of officers in Div. 1, Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., will be held next Wednesday evening.

Everybody in Lowell

Is invited to call at the office of the Mexican Medicine Co. and get a free sample of Zyno, the Great Mexican Blood Tonic. All aches and pains cured free at office, 43 Central street.



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SILK MUFFLERS—White Brocade Silk 75c. to $2.50.

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NECKWEAR—Newest Shapes and Colorings, 25c. to $1.00.

PUTNAM & SON,
166 Central Street.

LATEST

HEARTLESS PAIR

Robbed and Tried to Drown a Man.

THREW HIM INTO THE HARBOR OFF WHARF.

Was Rescued by Officer—Robbers Arrested.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Henry W. Gammons of Kingston, Mass., was the victim at three o'clock this morning of one of the most daring highway robberies ever committed in this city. The affair nearly resulted in his death by drowning and the officer who came to his rescue and finally arrested the robber was nearly blinded by red pepper. Gammons and two companions, strangers, had visited several saloons and at three o'clock this morning were on Atlantic ave., when the strangers enticed Gammons on a wharf near by where they relieved him of all his valuables and threw him into the harbor. Gammons climbed to the edge and was about gaining a footing when they pushed him back, at the same time filling his eyes with pepper. An officer attracted by his cries hurried to Gammons' rescue and made a desperate fight with the men, who stifled and nearly blinded him with pepper. Finally he arrested them. They gave the names of Thomas McCullough of New York and Wm. Hall, no home.

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LOST—Two St. Bernard dogs, male and female. One has collar marked F. L. Richard, 27 Lakeview avenue. They are both yellow, one being a little darker than the other. Reward at Frank L. Richard's, Moody street.

She Said:
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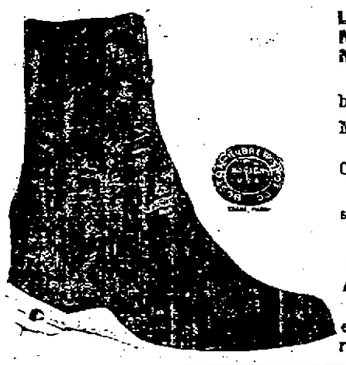

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ARGUMENTS AGAINST MEDICAL AND OCULAR INSPECTION IN SCHOOLS.

Dr. Stephenson who has been proposed for appointment as oculist to examine the eyes of school children, gave his views on this subject to a Sun representative yesterday.

He says he would use the letter test, that he would examine all the school children free of charge and when he found any defects of vision he would notify the parents and if they deemed it expedient they could send the children to the out patient department of the Lowell hospital where they will be treated free of charge.

If Dr. Stephenson would give so much of his time and labor for nothing, he must undoubtedly have the public good at heart. But he says his object is to obtain valuable statistics which cannot be obtained in any other way.

The teaching of science however despite Dr. Stephenson's statement, shows that statistics obtained in that way are unreliable and practically worthless.

When children are placed under examination, their nerves become excited, the eyes are affected and an examination in such a condition is not reliable. In that condition the test might show children to be far sighted or near sighted or cross-eyed. Then the glasses fitted to the children's eyes in that state would injure the sight in their normal condition. Thus not only would the statistics be misleading but the eyes of the children would be injured.

There is another matter to be considered. When children are unwell, when they are suffering from cold, the pupils of they eyes are distended and the sight accordingly disturbed.

How can the examining oculist tell when the children are entirely well, or whether their eyes are in a normal condition?

In order to do so it will be necessary first, to make a physical examination to ascertain whether there is any cause which would disturb the sight.

Does Dr. Stephenson propose to do this? He does not.

We do not here speak at random. Our position on this question will be sustained by the best oculists in this country, Dr. Stephenson to the contrary notwithstanding. Such a superficial and imperfect examination would be worse than useless and any stastistics based upon such testimony would lead to the abuse of school children's eyes.

Who will vouch for Dr. Stephenson's qualification for such a position? But admitting his ability it can easily be seen how an incompetent man might be selected or how a thoroughly competent man might do the work in an imperfect and dangerous manner.

Only tell a parent that the child's sight is defective and he or she will spare neither time nor money in having the defect remedied.

The statement of Dr. Stephenson that free treatment would be given at the hospital is very doubtful. The free treatment to which he refers is probably like that of some other other practitioners who give a prescription for glasses which cost as much as will pay the doctor and optician together. There is said to be an understanding between some eye specialists and those who make the glasses for them, under which there is a division of the amount between both. It would be as well for the doctor to charge a regular fee as to add it to the price of the glasses.

On the whole, therefore, we are strongly opposed to such an innovation. The teachers if properly instructed can notify the parents when the pupils are sick or when any of the latter suffer from defective vision. Let them be instructed to exercise their judgment in detecting illness among their scholars and with proper care they can do more good than could any examining physician by glancing over the heads of the pupils or by telephoning the teachers if anyone is sick. The teachers will have the work to do in the long run. The medical examination and the ocular tests are innovations proposed by those who would load the public with expensive fads. Let the school board educate the children and leave medical treatment to the parents.

If Dr. Stephenson or any other eye specialist is willing to take up the other side of this question we are ready to discuss the whole question with him.

The butchery of Maceo by the Spaniards will arouse indignation in every civilized land outside Spain. It will not aid the Spanish butcher to suppress the rebellion but rather draw sympathy to the cause of Cuban Libre. Maceo butchered is a more formidable enemy to Spain than Maceo alive. His successors will avenge his death.

Hawaii wants to be annexed, New Mexico wants to be admitted to statehood, Cuba wants the United States to set her free. If New Mexico gives promise of voting the republican ticket, she can get admitted to the union under the McKinley administration.

A TRAGIC DEATH

Woman Fatally Shot in Illicit Love Affair.

ATTEMPTED MURDER BY A JEALOUS LOVER.

Mrs. Young Had Enraged Harry Frizzell.

Plymouth, N. H., Dec. 17.—Harry Frizzell shot himself and fatally wounded Mrs. Edith Young, at her boarding house on Main street, about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The attempted murder and suicide was the result of a quarrel between Frizzell and Mrs. Young, when both were partially intoxicated.

Mrs. Young is the wife of Otis Young, but they have not lived together for several years. Since their separation, Mrs. Young seems to have had many lovers, the most constant of whom was Charles Savage, with whom she lived for the past three years.

Two weeks ago Savage's mother and uncle visited him at his home at Mrs. Young's boarding house, and one week ago Saturday they took their leave, offering to pay for their board. It is said she refused the money, telling them that if they chose they could give it to Charles Savage. Mrs. Young stated to some of her boarders that Savage's relatives had left without settling their bills. This caused quarrels between the boarding mistress and her lover, resulting in a separation, Savage returning to his home Friday noon.

The sun had not set, however, before another lover was escorted in Mrs. Young's parlors, this one being Harry Frizzell, the man who, by his own statement, attempted murder yesterday afternoon. The quarrel between the lovers seems to have begun Saturday evening. But this quarrel was made up, and at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon Frizzell procured a team at Flanders' stable, and the two went out riding, returning about 6 o'clock, when they announced that they had been married at Ashland. Continued complaints, however, caused Mrs. Young to attempt to drive out her supposed husband. He was seen around the house yesterday noon, and that was the last seen of either, until a moment after the tragedy.

A note now in the possession of County Solicitor Adams was found, which Frizzell says he wrote at the instigation of Mrs. Young. It reads as follows:

"It is just 3 o'clock now, and in 15 minutes Ed and I will both be dead. Perhaps you think I am drunk or angry, but I am neither. I never felt better in my life, but Edith says she will die rather than have me leave her, so we've decided to die together. From Harry and his darland Ed. Goodby to all."

Thomas Robinson was the first person who saw Frizzell after the shots had been fired. He was down stairs, chatting with the servant girl, when he heard the shots. Rushing upstairs, he found Frizzell staggering from the sitting room into the hallway, with his face and into the hallway, with his face and clothes covered with blood. He was removed to the little room where the shooting took place, and the doctors attempted to bring him back to consciousness. When he had recovered, he said that Mrs Young stated she was not particular about living.

"I said," he continued, "I wasn't either, and I went and bought a revolver. I took her head under my left arm, as she desired, and fired a shot into each ear, then I fired two bullets into my right ear and the last shot into my breast."

Mrs. Edith Young, nee Caldon, is a woman about 40 years of age. She was divorced from Mr. Young, and was one of seven sisters, the others being all highly respected and accomplished ladies.

Harry Frizzell is a youth not over 20, but with a brutal, repulsive face. He will recover.

SCHOONER ULRICA WRECKED.

Captain Patterson and Crew Saved by the Life Savers of Stony Beach Station.

Hull, Mass., Dec. 17.—The big three-masted schooner Ulrica, which left Hillsboro, N. B., last Friday, for Hoboken, N. J., with a cargo of plaster rock, was totally wrecked on Nantasket Beach just before noon yesterday. Captain John Patterson and his crew of six men were rescued.

A furious northeast gale, accompanied by snow, struck the vessel before daylight, and when off the Boston lightship, all her sails were blown away. Captain Patterson let go all his anchors, but the sea was running tremendously high, and they failed to hold. The wind gradually increased to a hurricane, and the thick snowfall made it impossible to see a vessel's length ahead. The temperature was far below the freezing point, and the men were badly frost-bitten. The Ulrica struck on the big sand bar off the beach, and in a short time broke completely in two.

The life saving crew of Stony Beach launched a boat, but could do nothing at first in the terrible sea. The second time the boat had made considerable headway when it capsized, letting the crew into the water. They narrowly escaped drowning, but finally they reached the wreck and took off Captain Patterson and all his crew, who were lashed to the afterpart of the vessel. The men were completely exhausted, the hands and feet of several being frozen.

A Somerville Blaze.

Somerville, Mass., Dec. 17.—Somerville had a two-alarm fire last evening in the two-story wooden window shade and roller factory of Holland & Daniels, located at 185 Beacon, corner of Vine street. The fire started in the workroom of the roller room, on the second story, in the westerly corner. Hanging in the first floor were thousands of dollars' worth of finished shades. By hard work the firemen kept the fire in the roller room, where it originated, probably from spontaneous combustion. In this room was a large stock of curtains and rollers in process of manufacture, besides a valuable consignment of goods from Germany. The loss was estimated by Mr. Daniels to be in the vicinity of $5000, partially covered by insurance.

Connecticut Agriculturists.

Danbury, Conn., Dec. 17.—The second day's session of the state board of agriculture was slimly attended yesterday, owing to the inclement weather. The session opened at 10 a. m. with a lecture by Professor Charles D. Woods of Orono, Me., on "Experiment Stations and Progress in Agriculture." At the afternoon session Professor G. S. Shelps of Storrs agricultural college lectured on "Silage and Silos," and in the evening Hon. William E. Simonds of Hartford, ex-United States commissioner of patents, spoke upon "In the Woods." It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Hartford on the first Thursday in January next, at which time officers will be elected.

Mass Meeting of Harvard's Orators.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 17.—In accordance with the custom established last year, the departure of the Harvard men chosen to debate with Princeton was celebrated yesterday afternoon by a mass meeting of students in Sever hall. J. F. Hall, president of Harvard union, presided. Short speeches were made by several former Harvard debaters, all of whom expressed great confidence in the team and belief that the debate would be won by Harvard.

Forty Cents on the Dollar.

Boston, Dec. 17.—The creditors of the furniture firm of Lyman & Kellogg Co. of Holyoke held a second meeting to hear the report of the committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the corporation here yesterday. The committee yesterday reported that the assets were actually worth not more than one-third the amount figured as nominal, and they recommended accepting an offer of 40 cents on a dollar.

Dedham Court Proceedings.

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 17.—William Creedon was found guilty on two charges of violation of the liquor law. James Leddy of Canton was fined $10 for larceny of a gallon of whisky. Joseph F. McKenna was sentenced to the Massachusetts reformatory at Concord for breaking and entering.

Hill-Harvey Nuptials.

South Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 17.—The culmination of an event over which society has been agog for some time took place at the residence of Congressman F. J. Hill of this city last night, when his daughter, Helena Charlotta, was united in marriage to Walter Harvey Weed of Washington.

A Strong Bowdoin Boy.

Brunswick, Me., Dec. 17.—Walter B. Clark, '99, fullback of the Bowdoin university eleven, took the strength test yesterday and made a total of 1520, which is but a few points behind Klein of Harvard, who holds the collegiate record.

Suicide of a Boston Physician.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Dr. Edward F. McLean committed suicide yesterday afternoon at his home, 604 Tremont street, by shooting himself in the head. No cause can be ascribed for the rash act. Dr. McLean was 48 years old.

Died at the Hospital.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 17.—Arthur L. Whitney, who was so seriously burned while trying to extinguish burning alcohol, died at the Springfield hospital last night.

The Bram Trial.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Considerable testimony of a routine nature concerning the dimensions and plan of the ship, and matters connected with the detention at Halifax and transportation of the crew to Boston, took up the time yesterday in the trial of Thomas Bram for the alleged murder of his captain on board the barkentine Herbert Fuller last July. The courtroom was crowded by spectators, and considerable interest was shown by those present in spite of the somewhat tedious character of the evidence. Lester M. Monks, the passenger on board the Fuller, the government's most important witness, was the last witness, but adjournment was taken before much testimony had been given.

Governor Cleaves' Council.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 17.—Although the day was decidedly unsatisfactory for the grange, everybody continued to stay. The governor and council arrived yesterday, and a reception was tendered them in the hall in the afternoon. Governor Cleaves spoke for several minutes, as did Mr. Clason of the council. Both were listened to very attentively and the applause was general. L. W. Jose of Dexter was elected to fill the vacancy on the executive committee, and B. F. Briggs of Auburn was elected treasurer of the grange. At the evening session the sixth degree was conferred upon 125 members.

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A MAN MURDERED

Carlos Mango Kills C. W. Prescott at Somerville.

STABBED HIM MADLY THROUGH THE HEART.

After Firing a Futile Shot at Him.

Somerville, Mass., Dec. 17.—Goaded by rough handling by three men, an Italian named Carlos Mangno stabbed Charles W. Prescott, one of the men, to the heart, in a house near the Medford line yesterday afternoon. Death resulted almost instantly, and Mangno is now held on the charge of murder.

The three men were employes of the city, and were returning from a funeral. Mangno keeps a small store, and it is said has been the butt of the young men of the district for some time.

Prescott and his friends went into the store, and after bantering the Italian for a few minutes, took him out on the street and dumped him in the snow. All three men went off laughing.

Mangno was so enraged that he rushed back into the store, and, seizing a gun, ran after his tormenters. Prescott seemed to be his principal foe, and Mangno, when within a few feet of him, fired one of the barrels of the shotgun at him. The aim was bad, and Prescott escaped without a scratch. The attack, however, made him nearly as mad as the Italian, so he chased him into the house, where the two grappled on the floor. By some means Mangno managed to free his hands, and, drawing a stiletto, plunged it into Prescott's breast, just as the other two men, who had followed their compaion back to the house, came through the door.

Mangno was seized and held until the police arrived, but before a doctor could reach the scene of the affair Prescott's life had departed. Mangno was held on the charge of murder, and Prescott's companions were also locked up as witnesses to the affair.

Prescott was a single man, about 26 years old, while the Italian, who is 35, was also unmarried, and lived alone in his store. This is the first murder that has taken place in Somerville for many years.

Good Shooting by the President.

Georgetown, S. C., Dec. 17.—The president and party spent yesterday morning hunting ducks in the southern extremity of South Island, their reward being 100 birds, of which the president brought down 61. President Cleveland also joined a deer drive, but none of the hunters got a shot. The president will probably return to Washington Saturday.

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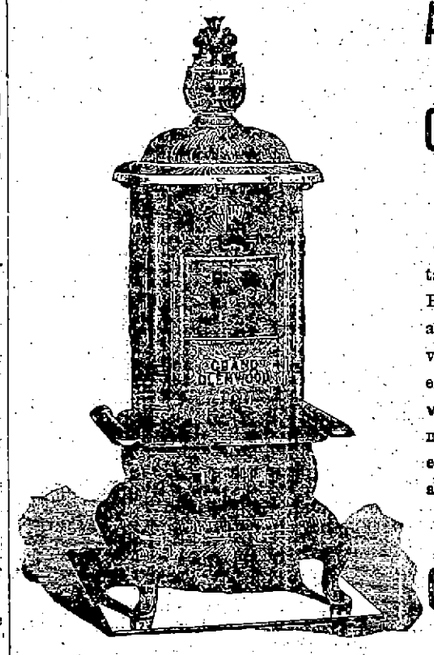

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Ladies' Jackets, Boucle or Beaver, (stunning) at January prices, $6.75.

Feather Boas, 49c. Tinsel Boas, best quality, $2.35. Fur Collars, 98c., with tail trimming, $1.49, upwards.

Astrachan Fur Collerettes, $3.98. Krimmer $6.75. Real Marton, $9.50. Real Seal, $15.50.

Silk Waists, $2.25. Nobby Waists, $3.98. Fancy Waists, $4.75. Handsome Waists, $6. Woolen Plaid Waists, 98c. Black and White Check, $1.25. All Wool, $1 and up.

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Senators Plunge Into a Heated Debate.

THE LATE CAMPAIGN AND OTHER MATTERS.

Mixed With Bond Issues and Tariff Reviewed.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The session of the senate yesterday developed the most eventful and exciting debate that either branch of congress has heard for a long time. It brought forward the recognized leaders of the various parties and elements, including such conspicuous figures as Messrs. Sherman, Frye, Teller, Gorman, Vest, Aldrich, Platt, Mitchell (Or.), Chandler, Hale and Allen, in notable statements on the leading questions which have engaged the attention of congress and the country of late. Not only were the lines laid down on tariff and finance, but the debate partook of all the pent-up feeling resulting from the recent national contest. Often it was dramatic in its intensity, and at all times absorbingly interesting to the crowded galleries and intent body of senators.

Political differences came in for a fair share of attention, and the names of McKinley and Bryan often were heard. President Cleveland also received attention. Mr. Allen declared that the president was a Republican, who joined with Republicans over their recent mutual victory. The debate came unexpectedly, when Mr. Vest called up the Allen resolution, in order to make some remarks on it. Mr. Vest was in his usual caustic vein, and his speech teemed with those graceful and catchy phrases for which he is noted. It severely arraigned the doctrine of protection, and derided the promises of prosperity held out, he said, by McKinley, which could not be fulfilled by levying more taxes on the people. There were frequent sharp and amusing cross-fires between Mr. Vest and Messrs. Aldrich, Chandler and Frye. The debate advanced to a more acute stage when Mr. Allen, with his usual bluntness, began to question Mr. Chandler as to the future of the Dingley bill.

Mr. Sherman (O.) spoke with deep earnestness, declaring that it was a crime for congress not to give the government ample revenue for needful expenditures.

He approved Mr. Cleveland's course in issuing bonds to maintain the gold reserve.

Mr. Teller followed, pointing out the futility of urging the Dingley bill. As to future tariff legislation, he reserved his judgment on it until the measure was presented and its merits considered. Mr. Gorman also pointed out the uselessness of urging the Dingley bill, conceding, however, that after March 4 next the Republican senators would be in sufficient strength to pass a tariff bill. As to the course on the Democratic side, he said he anticipated no obstruction to such a measure beyond an insistence on reasonable debate.

Throughout the debate the sentiment had prevailed that the Dingley bill was dead, and to give this final and apparently official sanction, Mr. Platt of the finance committee announced that no effort would be made to urge the bill to pass again. Thereupon, Mr. Sherman promptly arose and said that in view of what had been said, he acquiesced in the general sentiment that no further effort should be made on the Dingley bill. This was regarded as the final disposition of the bill.

An attempt to transfer the army and navy hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., to the interior department and abandon it as a hospital consumed practically the whole day in the house, and finally blocked proceedings on a point of order and thus compelled an adjournment. It was the only provision of the army appropriation bill which excited a contest.

Before the army bill was taken up a bill was passed to refer the claim of the owners of the bark Tally-ho, which was sunk by a man-of-war outside of Boston harbor in 1883, to the court of claims. At the opening of the session Mr. Bailey introduced a resolution to investigate the construction of the battleship Texas, which was referred to the naval committee on objection of Mr. Dingley.

Salvini's Funeral.

Florence, Dec. 17.—The funeral of Alexander Salvini, the actor, took place yesterday. The ceremony was most imposing. The coffin was buried beneath floral offerings, and the local authorities and notabilities, as well as delegations from numerous artistic associations, were present. Immense crowds of people lined the route followed by the funeral procession. The father of the deceased actor, Tommaso Salvini, has received many messages of condolence from Italy and from America and elsewhere.

Will Launch the Annapolis.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Lewis Nixon of the Crescent ship building works of Elizabeth, N. J., was at the navy department yesterday, and notified the authorities that he would launch the Annapolis next Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The Annapolis is one of the new light draft gunboats, which the department has ordered to be fitted up as a training ship, to take the place of the little Bancroft as a summer cruising vessel for the Annapolis cadets.

Agricultural Bill Completed.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The house agricultural committee yesterday practically completed the agricultural appropriation bill. No new legislation was incorporated, the changes being in reclassification. This bill follows very closely the lines of the one drawn last year, and the amount to be appropriated will be about the same, which was, including the weather bureau, $2,298,532.

Yale Glee Club Well Received.

New York, Dec. 17.—A representative Brooklyn audience, in which many women were conspicuous, gathered in the hall of the Long Island Historical society in Brooklyn last evening at the concert given by the Yale Glee and Mandolin clubs. The boys received an enthusiastic welcome. After the performance, a banquet was given the clubs at the Hamilton club.

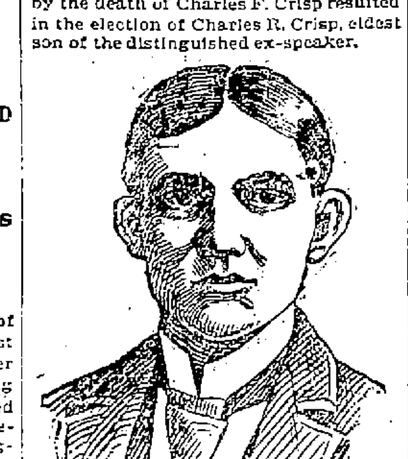
Postmasters Confer In Secret.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 17.—The fourth class postmasters of the state held a secret meeting here yesterday, to confer a movement for placing their places under the civil service.

YOUNG CRISP ELECTED.

He Will Take His Father's Seat In the House of Representatives.

Atlanta, Dec. 17.—A special election held yesterday in the Third congressional district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles F. Crisp resulted in the election of Charles R. Crisp, eldest son of the distinguished ex-speaker.



CHARLES R. CRISP.

Young Mr. Crisp, in response to a telegram from the Atlanta Journal, wired that paper: "I am in favor of recognition of the independence of Cuba by the United States."

General Snowstorm Along the Atlantic.

Boston, Dec. 17.—The first northeast snowstorm of the winter passed over New England yesterday, leaving about six inches of snow, blown into drifts by a 40-mile an hour gale. Notwithstanding the timely warnings of the weather bureau of the approach of the storm from the south, a number of coasters were caught in the bay, although a large fleet managed to make port before the blinding snow began. Two serious disasters occurred, both on the south shore, but, fortunately, through the heroic efforts of the life saving crews, no fatalities were recorded. The schooner Puritan went ashore at Scituate, and the New Brunswick schooner Ulrica on Nantasket beach. A collision took place in Taunton between an electric car and a steam train, owing to the storm, and the train got the worst of the encounter. No fatalities occurred. The snow impeded traffic to some extent through southern New England, but no snow fell north of Portland, Me., although a heavy wind blew all day. The storm pushed up on the coast during the afternoon, and the weather has cleared. The storm was general along the Atlantic coast from New Brunswick to Virginia.

The Inaugural Ball.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Referring to the statement telegraphed from Canton, saying that Chairman Hanna had not given up the idea of holding the inaugural ball in the new library building, Senator Hansbrough, chairman of the joint committee on library, said that a resolution had been introduced by Senator Morrill to prevent the use of the building for such a purpose. Mr. Hansbrough was not aware whether or not it was the intention of the committee to report the resolution, but said, so far as he was concerned, he had no objection to the use of the building for either a reception or ball, provided there were no liquors used in the building.

Legislation Against Quacks Asked.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 17.—The New Hampshire Medical society will ask the general court for appropriate legislation to prevent the practice of medicine in this state by unlicensed practitioners. A statute providing for the establishment of an examining board, with power to issue or withhold the necessary license, similar to the law now in force in Massachusetts is what is wanted by the society and to obtain which an effort will be directed. Initiatory steps to this end have been taken by a circular letter sent to the members of the society asking them to confer with representatives-elect in their districts on the subject.

Pearson-Meade Nuptials.

Louisville, Dec. 17.—The marriage of Miss Lalla Meade of this city and ex-Senator Fisher Pearson of Lowell, Mass., was solemnized yesterday at the home of the bride, 207 West Hill street, Rev. E. L. Powell officiating. The maid of honor was Miss Jennie Summers, and the best man was Gardner Pearson of Lowell. Misses Hannah Pearson and Ida McCorkhill were the bridesmaids, and the groomsmen were Thomas Halley of St. Louis and Leslie Phinney of Boston. The invitations were limited to the immediate relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson will go south for their wedding trip.

Lehman Sails For Home.

New York, Dec. 17.—R. C. Lehman, the English coach, who has had the Harvard university crew under his training since his arrival at Cambridge from England on Nov. 11, sailed for Europe yesterday. Mr. Lehman said he would be ready to return in March next, when he would again take up the coaching of the eight, and added: "I can say that I think the crew is in very good trim, composed of good material, and in the four weeks that I have been coaching it a great deal of improvement has been made in the style and strength of the stroke."

Imprisoned In a Mine.

Red Cliff, Colo., Dec. 17.—An accident by which six men are believed to have lost their lives occurred yesterday afternoon in the tunnel of the Holy Cross mine, near here. A blast caused a great fall of earth, and it is believed the men are buried under it, though they may be simply imprisoned, in which case there is hope of rescuing them.

Playing on Thin Ice.

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 17.—One fatality and a number of narrow escapes from drowning was the result of the breaking of thin ice on the Owasco outlet, upon which some boys were playing near Lisette street bridge, this city, yesterday. Joseph Malady, a lad of 6 years, son of Margaret Malady, a widow, was the unfortunate.

Judges of Debate Chosen.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 17.—The judges chosen for the Princeton-Harvard debate are Joseph R. Hawley of Connecticut, Provost C. C. Harrison of the University of Pennsylvania and Hamilton W. Mabie, editor of The Outlook.

The Powers Will Act.

London, Dec. 17.—Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, speaking to a public meeting in London, hinted at an early agreement of the powers to stop Turkish misgovernment.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair.

IS MACEO ALIVE?

Passengers From Key West Say He Is.

THE FESTIVITIES ORDERED STOPPED IN MADRID.

Insurgents Active in Various Localities.

Key West, Dec. 17.—Passengers arriving here last night from Habana report that Antonio Maceo is alive and well, and is in the province of Matanzas.

These passengers say that all of the festivities that were going on in Habana to celebrate his death have been ordered stopped since it has become known that he is alive.

Letters received from Santiago de Cuba assert that the insurgents in that jurisdiction are showing increased activity, and are moving westward. A party recently raided the town of El Cobre, burning various houses. It is reported that Quintin Bandera has returned to the eastern provinces, and now commands the former followers of Jose Maceo.

Passengers arriving at Habana from Santa Clara say that numerous insurgent bands again attacked the town of Placetas on Dec. 10. Re-enforcements were sent by rail from Remedios, under command of General Solanoff who found that great excitement existed at Placetas, the stores being closed. General Solano's cannon inflicted heavy losses upon the insurgents. The forces kept up an incessant fire, and the enemy was finally forced to withdraw.

The town of Mayajibas, near Yaguajay, was also besieged, land communications being interrupted. General Solano ordered the troops of the Cervantes battalion to attack the insurgent forces of Pancho Corrill, Pepe Gonzales, Nicasio Mirabile and Torres. A messenger arrived by boat, via Estero Real and Caibareen, who said that insurgents had warned families to leave the town, as it would be bombarded. Major Garcia Faujal refused to surrender the plaza, despite the insurgents' threat to destroy the town, he telling them to commence the bombardment as soon as they pleased. A majority of families, however, left the town. The insurgents had hurled 12 dynamite bombs before a Spanish shell from the fort struck their dynamite gun and caused it to explode. Many of the insurgents were wounded by this explosion, among them being the Cuban leader, Sabrosa, and two American gunners. At last advices the seige of this place still continues.

On Dec. 10 the insurgents made a raid upon the town of Quemada de Guines, after having set fire to the outskirts. They sacked the stores of the town and destroyed 50 buildings. The families in the town took refuge in the fort. It is believed that Quintin Vidal led the raiders.

Advices from Yaguayay of Dec. 12 report that insurgent committees are driving the pacificos in from the country settlements and burning their houses as soon as they are abandoned. It is understood that this is done by order of Carrillo, Garcia or Gomez. The sugar mills of Boadill and Guanabo have been destroyed.

Reports from the central trocha, which runs from Moron to Jucaro, in the western portion of Puerto Principe, are to the effect that many scattered insurgent parties are crossing it to the westward, taking advantage of the darkest portions of the line, which has not yet been lighted by electricity. Cayito Alvarez, with 150 insurgents, is raiding the settlements around La Esperanza, causing terror to the settlers.

Matanzas reports that numerous forces of insurgents have passed near Yaguajay and are moving westward.

Cuban Sympathizers Warned.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—Senor Ramon O. Quelado, who is getting up a concert to aid the cause of Cuba libre, has received a note from Assistant United States Attorney Anthony, calling his attention to section 5286 of the United States neutrality act, providing a penalty of fine of $3000 and three years' imprisonment for breaking it. Under this section, the audience and the performers, as well as the managers, would be equally guilty. The concert is off for the present, but will be given later, probably to raise a hospital fund for the wounded soldiers in Cuba.

Cuban Recruits.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 17.—Seventy-five hardy young Americans have been recruited here for the purpose of going to Cuba on the next filibustering expedition and joining the patriot army.

Desire a Business Tariff.

Boston, Dec. 17.—At a meeting of the executive council of the Massachusetts state board of trade, held at the Parker House yesterday afternoon, a resolution relative to a permanent tariff commission was adopted as follows: "Resolved, That the Massachusetts state board of trade, believing that changes in the tariff should be made in accordance with business requirements, and not because of political considerations, favors legislation by congress which shall provide for the appointment by the president of a permanent non-partisan tariff commission to whom proposed changes in the laws relating to the tariff shall be submitted for consideration and report before being acted upon by congress."

New Hampshire Grangers.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 17.—The State Grange at its morning session yesterday elected a few minor officers and passed a resolution endorsing Hon. John H. Brigham of Ohio for the position of secretary of agriculture. At the afternoon session the work of the first and second degree was exemplified, as was the unwritten work of the order. In the evening the officers of the State Grange conferred the sixth degree on 141 candidates, following which a collation was served.

Colonel Frost Promoted.

Winsted, Conn., Dec. 17.—Governor-elect Lorrin A. Cooke yesterday announced his appointment of Colonel Russell Frost of South Norwalk as brigadier general of the connecticut National Guard, to succeed General George Haven of New London, who was recently named as adjutant general on the new governor's staff. Colonel Frost at the present time is commander of the Fourth regiment, and is well-known throughout the state.

Who does your printing? The Sun job print would do it well and save you money.

THE STEAMSHIP LAURADA.

International Complications are Not Now Liable to Arise.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The announcement by cable that the notorious steamship Laurada has sailed directly from Palermo for Gibraltar, instead of forcing her way into the harbor of Valencia, gave great satisfaction to the officials here, who feared that international trouble was about to be caused without adequate reason.

It was admitted that, as a matter of law, the Laurada had a right to enter any Spanish port in time of peace, as at present. It was, moreover, not doubted that the Spanish officials at Valencia would see to it that she enjoyed her treaty rights so far as they were able to insure them.

But Valencia has always been regarded as a dangerous spot, subject to riots and popular spasms of violence, and it was feared here that the appearance there of the Laurada, known to have been in the service of Cuban insurgents, would be resented by the excitable populace; that rioting and bloodshed would follow, and perhaps through an attack upon the United States consulate, a casus belli might result. Therefore, the officials here breathed easier when it was made known to them that the vessel's owners had concluded to avoid trouble, by taking their cargo at Gibraltar instead of at Valencia.

Electricity For Chicago.

New York, Dec. 17.—The Niagara Electric company, that practically owns Niagara Falls, has extended its operations to Chicago. It has obtained from the trustees the right to use the vast power of the great drainage canal, constructed by the city of Chicago. There has been quietly incorporated in Illinois the Chicago Electric Development company, that will be the parent corporation for all the electrical schemes based on the drainage canal power. The president is Frank W. Hawley of New York, who has been the chief promoter in the Erie canal electric plan. Among the directors are Thomas C. Platt and Commodore P. Vedder, both directors in the Cataract General Electric company. Among others in the combine are W. K. Vanderbilt, D. O. Mills, J. P. Morgan, Charles Lanier, John J. Astor, Baron Von Huffman, W. K. Jessup, Joseph Laroque and Francis Lyden Stetson. The national capital of the Chicago Electric Development company is $1,000,000.

Stuart's Big Job.

New York, Dec. 17.—Dan A. Stuart, who has been in New York the past week arranging his plans to bring Corbett and Fitzsimmons together in the ring some time in the near future, will meet Corbett today, when the latter will consider Stuart's proposition and sign articles of agreement. Stuart, it is said, will offer a purse of $15,000 for a glove contest, to be held in the early part of 1897, and will guarantee to furnish a battle-ground where a fight to a finish can be held without interference, or forfeit the entire purse. He will post a part of the purse when the articles are signed, and the remainder on a date to be decided upon. Stuart refuses to divulge the name of the place where the contest will take place or anything about his plans, but says that if Corbett and Fitzsimmons want to fight, they need not worry about the affair after signing articles.

A Disastrous Blaze.

Nashville, Dec. 17.—A special from Clarksville states that a most destructive fire started in Joseph Rosenfield & Co.'s dry goods store last night, destroying it and the building next to it, owned by the French estate, The Daily Times and Sam Rosenfield's store. The fire was checked by the firewall of John Hurst & Co.'s building, saving the remainder of the block. Buildings across the street were damaged by heat. The Losses: Rosenfield, on stock, $60,000; building, $16,000; Frech building, $6000; Times (newspaper), $3000, insured. The total loss was about $75,000; insurance not ascertained.

Cruiser Boston Injured.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 17.—Private letters from Seoul, Korea, received by the Empress of India, Wednesday night, state that the United States cruiser Boston is seriously strained, and may be obliged to come home as quickly as possible for repairs. On the 5th of last month she ran aground on a sand pit in Flying Fish channel, 12 miles outside of Chemulpo, hanging there until the following morning, when, at the most favorable stage of the tide, she was released with her own power.

Mexican Finance.

City of Mexico, Dec. 17.—The official statement of the national finances for the last fiscal year, which ended June 30 last, show revenues $5,531,470, and disbursements $45,070,123, with a surplus of $5,541,347. Bankers regard the outlook as one justifying very bright anticipations. Manufacturing industries are multiplying, and tropical agriculture is continuing to expand. This year's coffee crop will be the largest in the history of the country.

Factory Trouble at Holyoke.

Holyoke, Mass., Dec. 17.—Secretary Samuel Ross of the National Spinners' union held a conference with the spinners of the Lyman mills last night. He advised the men to retain the position they have taken, and said they would receive an expression from the national council before Monday. He said the trouble had been forced upon them by the action of the overseer, and he deemed it more a lockout than a strike. He said the strike would affect none of the other mills in the city.

Maine Council Meets.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 17.—Governor Cleaves and council met at the state house yesterday, and after the transaction of the regular routine work reports were presented. There are at present 161 steam vessels on the inland waters of Maine. Licenses have been issued to 171 pilots and 168 engineers. The council also confirmed several nominations. This is the last meeting at which Governor Cleaves will preside, with the exception of the final, Dec. 29, 1896.

Aged Woman Burned to Death.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 17.—With the upper portion of her body burned to a crisp, and her clothing still smouldering, Mrs. Sarah Mullen, aged 80 years, was found dead by her 15-year-old son Edward. She was seated at a kitchen table, with her head resting in her hands. Her clothing had evidently become ignited while she was building the kitchen fire, and she became unconscious before dying. The position of the body aroused suspicion, and the coroner is investigating the case.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

THE SNOW STORM

And How It Paralyzed Travel in This City.

THE LINES CLEARED DURING THE NIGHT

And Today the Electrics are Running.

Like the poor of the scripture, the "beautiful snow" poets are always with us, though fortunately we don't always see them, and yesterday about dusk when Nature had laid her white mantle over the sadly neglected streets of Lowell, giving them for once in a year a clean appearance, the favored more or less, principally the less, of the Muses, began to blow into the office.

They were the same old poets, with the same old lays, the same having laid upon the family shelf for a twelvemonth, and when they began to come in we knew better than Dan Gage or the Lowell and Suburban that winter had come for a fact.

Winter came in with a rush and so did the poets, with their plaintive little songs, ever ancient, ever new, "I have here an humble contribution," etc., sung to the accompaniment of a marrow-penetrating northeast wind, suggestive of the "frosts" invariably accorded the gentlemen who are "nasciturae" but hardly fit.

The first real snow storm of the season it was, and a good one it was at that for the old gentleman with the long white whiskers, smoking an icicle, whom the office boy designates as Old Borax, played the limit yesterday and when at eventide, he cried "hold enough" to his ghoulishly gleefull cohorts he had succeeded in prostrating the railroad company and had taken the backbone out of Christmas shopping beside causing all kinds of profanity from the lips of the hundreds of suburbanites, who had to play leap frog over a couple of miles of snow drifts.

He fooled every one even an informed personage like Supt. Whitcomb, who didn't ring the school bell at quarter to eight causing many a poor youngster a bad cold, which, however, does not whittle many icicles with the average youngster of today.

It wasn't the snow alone that raised the mischief, for a little snow judiciously shaken does no one any harm, but the snow didn't come down at all gracefully, the symmetry of its fall being destroyed by a most erratic wind storm which blew itself most heartlessly. If you happened to be going with the wind you were all right but just turn around once and, well the old sport would say—you lose.

As early as seven o'clock the street railroad company, which at the start was very shy of power, began to feel the effects of the storm and though power was economized by using only one car on each line it was barely possible for them to proceed. Merrimack square was deserted as far as cars were concerned and Florence Donoghue, with a beautiful crop of icicles in his beard, nearly froze his voice explaining to the many who held up in the square the cause of the trouble. The power was so weak about noon that the Lawrence cars could not come beyond the car house on First street though they got up before evening. In fact travel on all lines improved as the storm subsided and snow plow's did great work towards making it possible for the cars to proceed. Over 100 unemployed men sought the railroad office toward evening and many were made happy by receiving a shovel and orders to go to work. Several road scrapers were got out and these aided materially too, in restoring order.

The telegraph and telephone companies were balked though they were fortunate during the day and evening while everything was in great condition with the steam railroad.

The street and sewer men were obliged to quit work at noon, as they could make no headway with the snow.

The Merrimack river was filled with huge cakes of thin ice and crusted snow, which floated down rapidly all day, giving evidence of a severe storm farther up in the country. It was quite an interesting sight, though there was no abundance of fun to be had on any of the large bridges.

The storm cleared finely during the night and the companies using wires awoke this morning to find practically no damage done.

The street railroad people worked all night cleaning the tracks and with the repaired machinery at the power house are all right today.

The monotony of the waiting room in the square was relieved about 10 o'clock by a little mouse which ran across the floor, the room being well filled with men and women. The latter screamed, and one or two jumped on the seats while the braver sex stubbed their toes in trying to kick Mr. Mouse, which dodged all assaults and disappeared unharmed.

No runaways are reported, although, several horses were frightened by the plows. A spirited animal driven by Bennie Duffin, of the Collins' mills, became frightened near Collinsville, and breaking the shaft of the sleigh attempted to run but was cleverly prevented by Mr. Duffin's skilful handling of the reins.

PLEADING FOR TARIFF.

Hon. Charles A. Stott Could Not Save the Dingley Bill.

Hon. Charles A. Stott, president of the Home Market club, is in Washington in consultation with Representative Dingley, the chairman of the ways and means committee. He is accompanied by Colonel Albert H. Clarke of Wellesley, secretary; Fred E. Clarke of Lawrence and Mr. Shaw of Quincy. They are working in the interest of the Dingley tariff bill.

GRAND SUPPER

At St. Lawrence Hotel in Payment of an Election Bet.

Joe Salviel of Nashua undertook to make a bet of a grand supper for thirty people that Colonel Bennett would be elected.

Lieut. McNulty of the St. Lawrence hotel took him up, and tonight at that hostelry Mr. Salveil will pay his bet.

Among the number will be several city officials of Nashua.

Stole a Horse.

William Hoban and a boy named Brennan were arrested yesterday for stealing the horse and carriage of T. F. Burns of West Chelmsford, Sunday. They drove to Lawrence and Haverhill and finally reached Lowell again on Tuesday leaving the team on Humphrey street. Officer John Walsh arrested Hoban and Inspector Allen took in Brennan.

RECOUNT AT CITY HALL

SLIGHT CHANGES IN ALDERMANIC VOTE.

Yet Some of the Aldermen Are Very Nervous—Not Yet Finished.

The recount of the aldermanic vote progresses very slowly.

Up to three o'clock yesterday afternoon, at which time the registrars took dinner, only two precincts, the first and second in ward one were finished. These showed a gain of one vote each for Derby, Eastman and Gerow. Lawrence's vote according to the returns in precinct two was 293; the recount gives him 297. Dr. Holbrook had 296 in this same precinct according to the original count, and the recount credits him with 295, a loss of one. This made a net gain of five for Lawrence and placed his lead at 15.

Some strange combinations were discovered in these precincts. For instance, several ballots were crossed only for Bennett for mayor and E. B. Pierce for alderman. Some voted for Bennett, Goward and Pevey, while many cast the straight republican aldermanic ticket with Courtney for mayor. These voters, though somewhat off in relation to the aldermanic end, knew their business in the mayoralty contest.

In precinct two a vote was cast for Charles H. Burns for alderman.

Col. Bennett does not believe that the French voters went back on him and he has Arthur Salmon there to watch the run of the ballots, as the aldermanic vote is counted.

After dinner precinct three was taken up and when the count was completed the revised returns of the entire ward showed a gain of 1 for Eastman and Gerow, 2 for Hamer, 4 for Lawrence, 2 for Libby and a loss of 3 for Holbrook, 2 for Hooper, 3 for Howe, 1 for Leblanc, 12 for Pierce, 6 for Pevey, 1 for Vincent.

Precinct one of ward two showed the following gains: Gerow 1, Hamer 1, Holbrook 1, Johnson 1, Libby 2, O'Neil 1, Peirce 1; and these losses: Eastman 1, Goward 1, Hooper 1, Howe 1, Lawrence 1, Leblanc 1, Pevey 1, Vincent 1.

This gave Lawrence a lead of 15 over Leblanc.

This morning the registrars completed the count in precinct 2, ward 3, and found that Derby, Hamer and Eastman had gained one vote.

Before commencing this morning, the registrars announced that Ward two completed showed no changes from these already reported. Precinct one of Ward three showed a loss of one vote each for Cosgrove, Derby, Eastman, Gerow, Lawrence and Pevey, and a loss of 2 votes each for Holbrook and Hooper. This makes Lawrence's lead over Holbrook 16.

ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of Young People's Society of Royal Workers.

The fourth annual convention of Young People's society of Royal Workers was held in the Grand street Christian Advent church yesterday. The morning session was devoted to hearing reports from the delegates. In the afternoon there was a praise service and an address by G. F. Haines of Salem. In the evening, Miss Sadie B. Thompson of Haverhill had as the subject of an interesting and carefully prepared paper "Love, the Mainspring of Action."

ITS FIRST PRESIDENT.

Lowell Lady Honored By Ladies' Auxiliaries of the A. O. H.

Miss Delia Sullivan who was, last evening elected state president of the Ladies' auxiliary of the A. O. H., is a Lowell young lady. She is a native of Lowell, and has resided here all her life. Her education was obtained at the Notre Dame academy, and after completing her studies at this institution, she engaged in dressmaking.

At the present time, with her sister, Miss Josephine Sullivan, she conducts an academy where dress cutting is taught. She is a charter member of the Lowell ladies' auxiliary of the A. O. H., and has been its president since its organization, a few years ago. She also enjoys the distinction of being the first president of the auxiliaries in Middlesex county, and at present holds that office. Her election as the first president of the state organization was deserved for she has done much throughout Middlesex county for the A. O. H., and the ladies' auxiliaries.

Reception to Young People.

The reception to the young people's societies at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening was a delightful informal affair. The building was gaily decorated with flags and bunting. In the gymnasium an athletic exhibition was given. In the main hall, the Lyceum orchestra played, and cake and lemonade were served the guests.

General Coxey on Deck Again.

Washington, Dec. 17.—"General" J. S. Coxey of commonweal army fame has arrived in Washington, to resume his efforts to secure congressional action on his schemes for good roads and for non-interest bearing bonds. General Coxey says that he intends to send a copy of his latest pamphlet to every voter in the United States. His platform includes demonetization of both gold and silver, government ownership of public works, the income tax and public salaries to be regulated by the price of wheat.

This Umbrella Has Cone To Smash.

I will take it to Austin's and have it repaired. He will put a new cover on it and do anything else needed in a first class manner at a reasonable price.

C. E. AUSTIN, 19 Bridge Street.

PETER J. BRADY, GROCER

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Choice Teas, Coffees and Spices

Try our "BIG TWELVE" brand of flour the best in the city.

R. J. MOWER,

PRACTICAL

WATCHMAKER and OPTICIAN

285 Central Street.

SENATE SUITS HIM.

John Sherman Has No Desire to Sit In President McKinley's Cabinet.

Cleveland, Dec. 17.—A local paper says: Senator Sherman will not be a member of the McKinley cabinet. He will, however, be a candidate for re-election to the senate. These statements are made officially. The information comes from a reliable source, and several of the senator's most intimate friends in Cleveland admitted that they knew it was a fact.

The senator's friends say that he feels that he can be of more assistance to the administration of Major McKinley in the senate than in the cabinet.

His candidacy for re-election brings up the interesting question as to what the attitude of the Foraker faction in the matter will be.

Governor Bushnell would undoubtedly like to serve as senator from Ohio, and he has Senator Foraker's friendship. But it is a question yet to be settled, whether the Forakerites will oppose the senior senator from Ohio.

McKinley Goes to Join His Wife.

Canton, O., Dec. 17.—Major McKinley is on his way to join his wife in Chicago. He left Canton at 9:27 last evening, accompanied by H. O. Heisland, national committeeman; Charles G. Dawes, who remained over to accompany the president-elect, and special newspaper men, who have been stationed here for months. Major McKinley's brother, Abner, came from Pennsylvania to join the president-elect during the Chicago visit.

To Succeed Colonel Fellows.

Albany, Dec. 17.—Governor Morton yesterday appointed William M. K. Olcott of New York district attorney of the county of New York, in the place made vacant by the death of Colonel John R. Fellows. Mr. Olcott will hold this office under this appointment until Jan. 1, 1898, when his successor, to be appointed at the next general election, will be installed.

Steel Rails Reduced.

Pittsburg, Dec. 17.—The Post today says it has authority to announce that as a result of the agitation in the steel trade generally, steel rails will be reduced from $28 to $25 a ton. This cut is made to induce more business and to be in line with lower prices in other branches of the steel trade.

City of Lowell

Auditor's Office, Dec. 16, 1896.

Persons having bills against the City of Lowell are requested to present them at this office on or before Saturday, the 19th inst.

Bills not presented as above will remain unpaid until Feb. 10, 1897.

DAVID CHASE, Auditor.

COLD WEATHER COMFORTS

We're going to need them very soon if what the weather prophets say is true. Seal Skin Gloves, Heavy Weight Underwear, new and handsome designs in Silk Mufflers, and Heavy Caps and Gloves are dividing attention with our superb line of gentlemen's furnishings at this time.

ARTHUR J. CUMMISKEY,

69 Merrimack Street.

Chritmas Candles

For Christmas Tree, Boudoir and Table use in

White and Colors

Candle Shades and Holders.

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63 AND 67 MARKET STREET.

CHARLES H. COSGROVE, Room 16, Hildreth Building. Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

J. M. KINGSBURY, No. 373 Bridge Street. Meats and Provisions. (Successor to Strout & Kingsbury.)

PHILIP J. FARLEY, Room 11, Barristers' Hall. Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

JOSEPH W. LEACH, Room 12, Shedd's Block. Pianist and Teacher of Singing.

JOHN W. McEVOY, 137 Central St., Opp. American House, Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

COURTNEY & COURTNEY, Mansur Block. Counsellors-at-Law. William F. Courtney. Henry S. Courtney.

SMOKE OLD 64 CIGAR H. BOOT, Manufacturer.

LOTHROP & CUNNINGHAM, 182 Merrimack Street, Photographers. Crayons, Pastels and Water Colors a specialty. All work guaranteed.

W. A. LEW, 49 John Street. Clothing Cleansed, Dyed and Pressed. Orders received for cleaning, dying and pressing, promptly and neatly executed.

NOTICE TO ENGINEERS.

There will be a lecture for Engineers Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, at 8 o'clock, in old Odd Fellows' hall, Merrimack street. P. H. Hogan, Chief Engineer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Herbert E. Stone, Chief Engineer at Harvard University, will speak on subjects of interest to Engineers. All Engineers are invited to attend. Admission free.

LOWELL ASSO., No. 17, N. A. S. E.

JAMES H. CARMICHAEL, No. 97 Central Street. Counsellor at Law and Notary Public.

WANT COLUMN.

LOST—Saturday, a. m., Dec. 12, a sum of money inclosed in a leather case, name owner on inside of cover. Please return to Middlesex Steam laundry, 140 Middlesex street, and be rewarded.

WANTED—Good man to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home. No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Fern Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—4 room flat at 634 Broadway.

TO LET—Sunny five room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 521 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

WANTED—500 Ladies to call at the Union Supply, 65 Merrimack street, up one flight, room 2, to get dressed in good style. The best of garments, mackintoshes, dresses, wrappers and millinery. Cash or credit. Lowest of prices. Over Central Savings bank.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share, must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1804, Boston.

FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—A position as stenographer and typewriter; experienced; mercantile or legal work; can give good recommendation; also good references. Address B, sun office, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 8 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1800. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a two-tenement house near new bridge. This is an excellent chance to buy a home and on easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Athan Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—Just the place you want to make money on a 4 tenement block in Belvidere. Pays 12 per cent. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Diamond Brand) are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c., stamps, for particulars, "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return mail. At Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

DR. CATON'S TANSY PILLS for Ladies never fail. Get the genuine and avoid disappointment. $1, all druggists or direct. DR. R. F. CATON, Boston, Mass.

FOR SALE—Good boarding and lodging house near John street. All new furniture and in good shape. 60 boarders. This is an excellent location for business. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelop, Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred P. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

SAVOY THEATRE

Kendal Weston, Mgr.

Week Beginning Monday, Dec. 14th.

The Savoy Theatre Co. in a Brilliant Production of Robertson's great 3-act Comedy,

"CASTE"

"True hearts are more than coronets, and simple faith than Normand blood."

Produced with the most careful attention to detail and appointments.

Matinee prices: Lower floor, 25c.; Balcony, 15c. Evening prices, 15, 25, 35 and 50c. Box seats, 75c. Evenings at 8 o'clock. Wednesday and Saturday Matinees at 2.30. Carriages at 10.30 p. m. Seats on sale at theatre one week in advance. Box office open from 10 a. m. to 9.30 p. m. Telephone 608-5. Tickets will be reserved until within 15 minutes of time of performance.

Friday Night Souvenirs—Every lady in the audience Friday evening will receive an autograph-photograph of Mrs. Georgie Dickson.

NEXT WEEK—Wallack's Greatest of Military Plays, "Rosedale."

Music Hall

Three Nights Beginning Thursday, December 17, 18, 19. Matinee Saturday at 2.30.

THE FAMOUS Watson Sisters

Grand Company, introducing their Marvelous Electrical Aerial Sensation,

TRIANGUL GIRATORIO, Patented

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Next Week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with Wednesday Matinee, Dec. 21, 22, 23,

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In the Musical Farce Comedy,

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For a few days only. This exquisite creation of the painters' art, one of the most tender realizations of female beauty ever placed on canvas, is now on exhibition daily at the

RUSSIAN HALL, Urban Block

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Nana has been exhibited in every quarter of the civilized globe, and has been unanimously declared by press, People and Critics everywhere, to be the most wonderful picture ever painted. It is from the brush of Suchorowsky, most famous of the great school of Russian realistic artists.

ADMISSION:

9 a. m. till 5 p. m., 20 cents.

5 p. m. till 10 p. m., 10 cents.

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The Graphophone, 1897 model! Just out. Simplest and best ever made. Clockwork motor of new design. You can record and reproduce speech, songs, bands, etc. Just what you want at home to entertain your friends and children.

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THE WEATHER.

Sun rises—7:08; sets, 4:13.
Length of day—9h. 5m.
Moon sets—4:37 a. m.
Full sea—9:15 a. m.; 9:45 p. m.

Forecast for New England: Clearing in the morning, preceded by local snows on the east coast; high northerly winds, decreasing in force; slowly rising temperature.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, *Old Hundred.*

T. C. Lee, fire insurance. Donovan bl'd.

M. Caproni, the sculptor from Boston, took an excellent death mask of the late Thomas Carolin, last night.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin the 1018 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone conection.

The auction sale of a stock of groceries on Willie street, today, has been postponed until Friday at 11 o'clock. Per order of E. R. Mansur, auctioneer.

Smokers', attention is called to misleading imitations of the popular 7-20-4 10c. cigar. See that every cigar is branded 7-20-4, which is a guarantee of imported filled and wrapper and strictly hand-made.

X Xmas Drafts X.

For sale payable in Ireland, England and Scotland at Murphy's agency, 18 Appleton street. 25 years in the business.

Shakespearean Reading.

In the hall of the Middlesex Women's club last evening Mr. Hannibal Williams gave an admirable reading of King Henry IV.

Court City of Lowell.

Court City of Lowell, F. of A., elected the following officers last evening: Chief ranger, Michael P. Reagan; sub chief ranger, R. P. Monahan; financial secretary, Patrick McGilly; treasurer, James O'Brien; recording secretary, John W. O'Brien; senior woodward, Arthur J. Lorraine; junior woodward, John Murningham; senior beadle, Daniel Shanahan; junior beadle, Dennis J. Winn; trustees, three years, Samuel Scott; two years, Thos. Higgins. There were remarks by Deputy Chief Ranger, Jas. Miskella.

MUM IS THE WORD.

Mayor Courtney Has Not Intimated His Policy to Anybody.

Mayor Courtney says he has intimated to no one what policy he will pursue relative to testing the mayor's powers under the amended charter.

"Whatever rumors are being circulated have no foundation in fact," said the mayor.

"I have not said to anyone that I will remove Chief Hosmer in order to test the charter amendments. As I said before, my intentions, I have not declared to anybody."

Dolls and Toys.

We have got an elegant assortment of these necessary holiday goods at very low prices. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

SOME CRISP GOSSIP.

Ed. Leary's many friends in this city anxiously waited the result of Tuesday's election in Boston. And when the report reached them that the council had gone democratic they were pleased, for it made the ex-senator sure of his city messenger's berth for another year. Alderman Mahoney who was defeated for re-election will be remembered by members of the Lowell city council for his kind attention to them during the Seventeenth of June festivities.

A recount is more of a strain than an election on many candidates. It worries them considerably and keeps them guessing where they are at. I was tempted to say something cheerful to Abbott Lawrence during yesterday's recount.

The first state convention of the A. O. H. was held in this city 29 years ago in a hall on Merrimack street, near Palmer street. It is a strange coincidence that the first state convention of the ladies of the A. O. H. should also be held in this city.

Among those who attended yesterday's convention of the ladies of the A. O. H., was M. J. Roche of Boston, the well known writer. Mr. Roche contributes to all the leading Catholic papers and magazines of the country and is an able writer.

One of the prettiest private dining apartments in the city is the cosy room fitted up by Manager Boody of the Merrimack house. It is elegantly furnished and adapted for the accommodation of social parties.

The Catholic Lyceum evidently enjoys the confidence and support of the people for at its concert last Sunday evening, it cleared about $120.

Hood's Sarsaparilla calendars are issued to the number of 12,000,000. The calendar is, as usual, a beautiful sample of the printer's and lithographer's arts. It presents the face of a child with brown eyes and golden hair, and a lovely cap or bonnet. The title is "A Purple Blossom," and it makes one of the sweetest faces the eye could rest upon. On the back of the calendar are printed the astronomical calculations for the year with other interesting matter.

No Gripe

When you take Hood's Pills. The big, old-fashioned, sugar-coated pills, which tear you all to pieces, are not in it with Hood's. Easy to take

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BAKING POWDER

ROYAL—the most celebrated of all the baking powders in the world—celebrated for its great leavening strength and purity. It makes your cakes, biscuit, bread, etc., healthful, it assures you against alum and all forms of adulteration that go with the cheap brands.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

The Stationary Engineers.

The stationary engineers of this city assembled in Odd Fellow's hall on Merrimack street last evening and were addressed by P. H. Hogan chief engineer of the Institute of technology and president of the Massachusetts Association of stationary engineers; H. E. Stone chief engineer of Harvard college; John G. Perkins of the Garlock Packing Co., Boston; and Edward Hughes of the Dean Steam Co., Boston.

Picturesque Lowell

Is the title of a very beautiful illustrated book just brought out by us. It contains 16 Lowell views and includes Merrimack street, Central street, City Hall, Memorial Building, High School, new Court House, Grace Church, Pawtucket Falls, the Armory, St. Anne's Church, Fort Hill Park, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mills at Lowell, the Merrimack River from Andover Street, Lowell Jail and the grave of J. C. Ayer. The price is **25 cents.** Just the thing to send to your friends.

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Never so well made, never so pretty, never so cheap before. Afternoon Aprons, Morning Aprons, Kitchen Aprons, Office and Store Aprons, Shop and Mill Aprons from 12 1-2c. to $4.75 each, but you can find what you want for mother or daughter, wife or sister, your mother-in-law or your best girl, at 25, 35, 39, 42, 50 cents up to $1, and nothing could be more desirable or acceptable. If you think of buying aprons come to us as our stock outranks all others combined.

FANCY AND LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS

For man, woman and child 5c to $1 each, which embraces the best plain hemstitched, embroidered, tape borders, colored borders, etc., to be had in the country. Nearly all our Linen Handkerchiefs are made by the well known Scotch-Irish manufacturers of Belfast, Messrs. Glendenning, McLeish & Co., and for twelve years we have handled their goods, and have always found them in every way satisfactory. Will you look at our line before you buy.

LAMBREQUINS, CHAIR AND TABLE CLOTHS AND SCARFS

We buy these goods for Christmas gifts and every thing shown is clean fresh, pretty and cheap. Lambrequins from 75c to $3.25 each. Picture Throws from 25c to $1.52 each.

BOSTON BAGS

Either 10, 11 or 12 inch. Best leather lined Boston Bags only 99c each. They are usually sold at $1.25 and $1.50, but we keep all colors and combinations of the very best, and ask you 99c.

PURSES AND POCKETBOOKS

For men, women and children 5c to $2 each.
Ask to see the "Cano" Purse or Book 25c up to $1.50.

LADIES' KID GLOVES

59c to $1.39 and a Fancy Kid Glove Box, free with all those at $1 and above. Gentlemen can always please lady friends with one or more pairs of Kid Gloves from this stock. Painstaking and agreeable salesladies will assist you in making selections which will surely please, black, white, honey, tan, mode, slate, are staple colors, and are worn by all women.

CLOAK DEPARTMENT

And now another reduction in prices of Stylish Outside Garments. Good Jackets for $1, better Jackets for $2. $12.50 Jackets for $5. $20 and $25 Jackets for $10. Thirty-inch Coney Capes, good quality, $3.75. Children's Garments $2 and $3, they cost $6.50 and $8. We shall place on sale today a new lot of $5 Skirts. It is unnecessary for us to recommend them. Our Skirts have already made a reputation for themselves.

UMBRELLAS

We have a large and varied assortment of Umbrellas, in all sizes, for ladies, gentlemen and children. They are made with plain and fancy natural wood, gold, silver or agate handles, in fact with every thing that is stylish in an Umbrella handle. Prices range from 50c to $5.

LINENS, LINENS, LINENS

In our Linen Department you will find something that is always useful and acceptable as a Christmas Gift, Linen Table Sets, Towels, Napkins Doylies, etc., etc.

SILK MUFFLERS

We bought in New York, last week, a big job lot of Silk Mufflers, in black, white and cream-white. We have marked them to sell at 49c up to $2. See that others don't charge you 75c, for what we sell at 49c.

HAND KNIT BEADED FASCINATORS

From 50c upwards. Hand Knit Hoods, Capes, Jackets, Shawls, everything in Mittens, Leggings, Alaska Shields. If you want the best shaped knit goods, we carry the immense assortment for you to pick from.

GENTS' TIES. GENTS' TIES

Remember that we claim that we have the prettiest, as well as the lowest priced Ties in the city, in both Teck and Four-in-Hand styles. The daintiest and most exquisite patterns and figures as can be found in the market. Ladies are especially invited to inspect this stock as in it they will find "just what" gentlemen friends want for Christmas.

HOLIDAY DEPARTMENT

We open today our new and complete stock of Holiday Articles, such as Vases, Gloves, Handkerchiefs and Jewel Cases, Clocks, Match Safes, Napkin Rings, Flower Bowls, large and small size Plaques, Cologne Bottles, Atomizers, etc.

THE O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE COMPANY

7 DAYS MORE OF PROFIT SACRIFICING IN OUR

HOLIDAY DIVIDEND SALE HOLIDAY

7 DAYS MORE OF RECORD BREAKING SALES.

It's an urgent necessity that stocks be cleared. We must have immense Sales, no matter what the sacrifice and quote prices to meet the emergency.

Brown Sheetings, 5c. per yard. | Outing Flannel Night Gowns, 49c. | Lace Curtains, 39c. a pair. | Best Quality Printed Satines, 6 1-4c. | Ribbons, 1c. a yard. | 40 inch Sheeting, 6 ½c. | Morris Chairs, $4.75 and $5.98. | Colored China Silks 10c. a yard.

ANY PORT IN A STORM. ANY PRICE IN AN EMERGENCY.

There Is One Real Christmas Department In Lowell

And That is our store. Our display this year surpasses all previous efforts so far that you can have no conception of Our Great Holiday Exposition, from what you saw before. Toys, Dolls, Games, Music Boxes, and every conceivable plaything for Children amusing and instructive, at prices that scarely count. O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

Basement Holiday Dept.

Mr. P. J. Kinseller, Mgr.

Everything fancy can suggest or imagine to select from here.

Bottle Castors, engraved bottles, $1.49 to $5.00 each.

Pickle jars in four colors of glass, 89c. each.

Napkin Rings 19c. to $3.00 each.

Gold lined Mugs 19c. to $2.50 each.

Children's Sets, Knife, Fork and Spoon, 19c. to $3.00 per set.

Rogers 1847 grade, 6 Knives and 6 Forks, $3.98 per set.

Chocolate Sets, 15 pieces only $4.98 each.

Tete-a-Tete Sets, 14 pieces only $4.98 each.

Fish Sets, 13 pieces, only $6.98 each.

Tea Sets, 9 pieces, only $2.98 each.

Ice Cream Sets, 13 pieces, only $4.89 each.

Beautiful Vases, Jardinelres, Bric-a-Brac, Dinner Sets and Fancy China for very little money the balance of this week.

An Extreme Christmas Novelty, Entirely New.

Real Kid Gloves, fancy embroidered and beaded points, $1.75 a pair.

Big Slaughter in Men's Furnishings

Prices Way Down.

A rare chance to purchase Neckwear at half price.

100 dozen Light Colored Silk Neckwear in tecks and four-in-hand, elegantly assorted patterns, for this week only 25 cents each.

What's Prettier For Christmas Than a Black Dress.

A Stupendous Sacrifice This Week.

10 pieces of Black Crepon, $1.75, $2 and $2.25 goods, your choice this week, $1.25 a yard.

English and American Twills, 54 inches wide, sold to date 87c and $1, for this week 49c per yard.

Figured Mohairs, beautiful goods, for this week 39c per yard.

Black Henrietta, 45 inches wide, $1 grade, for this week 49c per yard.

1 lot 10c per yard—1 lot 14c per yard.

These quantities are very limited and may not last throughout the day, "Therefore Hasten."

Tremendous Mark Down In Upholstery Dept.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 79c kind, down to 49c a pair.

Ruffled Muslin Curtains, full width, $1.50 kind, down to 98c a pair.

Ruffled Fish Net Curtains, full width, $1.75 kind, down to $1.29 a pair.

Best Smyrna Rugs, size 30x60, $3.25 kind, down to $1.79 each.

Best Carpet Sweepers, $3 kind, down to $1.98 each.

Carpet Sweepers, sold to date $1.69, down to 98c each.

Fish Net, 50 inches wide, sold to date for 25c, down to 11c per yard.

Now Don't Crowd! But Come Leisurely to our Linen Counter.

The people have positively stampeded this department the past week, the values have been so attractive. We do not want to overcrowd, as it impedes good work and causes annoyance to our patrons. Suffice it to say we will continue to offer the balance of the week the same bargains we offered Monday and Tuesday. Towels, Napkins, Crashes, Table Covers, Stamped Linens, etc., at ridiculous prices.

Men's Hosiery.

Stock Reducing Sale.

Lot 1—Men's Camel Hair half Hose, reduced to 9 cents a pair.

Lot 2—Men's 2-thread Gray Merino half Hose, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Lot 3—Men's Gray Wool and Camel Hair half Hose, down to 17 cents a pair.

Lot 4—Men's English Merino and Black Cashmere half Hose spliced, heels and soles, hand finished seams, reduced to 25 cents a pair.

Lot 5—Men's Blue Ribbed Heavy Weight Hose, Contocook A., reduced to 29 cents a pair.

Lot 6—A genuine 2-thread Hermsdorf Black Cotton Hose, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Sacrifice Selling in Ribbons Today.

Great Bargains Start You Here Today.

Several thousand yards of all Silk, Satin and Gros-grain Ribbon, No. 2, 3, 4, in a vast variety of colors, only 1 cent per yard.

Another lot, same grade, No. 9, 12 and 16 only 5 cents per yard.

Suspenders.

An elegant assortment of fancy Suspenders, suitable for holiday, made, in plain and embroidered satines and fancy silks at very moderate prices. Also a very large assortment of Men's Sleeve Garters, ranging in price from 10 cents to $1 a pair.

Ladies' Gloves.

All Gloves sold by us are absolutely reliable and guaranteed to give reasonable satisfaction, otherwise we shall refund money or replace them with new ones. Fitting a specialty.

Extra Quality Glace and Pique Gloves in the very latest colorings and fancy embroidered points; also a very pretty line of Mocha Gloves, dainty embroidered points, 98 cents a pair.

Ladies' and Children's Knit Underwear.

Broken lots of Ladies' Jersey Vests and Pants, reduced to 12 1-2 cents each.

1 lot of Jersey Vests and Pants, fleece lined, crochet silk ribbon necks, silk facing, rare value, at 29 cents each.

Children's Extra Quality Jersey Vests and Pants, Harvard goods, reduced to 25 cents each.

An Importers' Stock of Handkerchiefs

Bought by Us at 50c. on the Dollar Delivered Yesterday. Examine These Lots.

Fancy Border Handkerchiefs, 1 cent, 2 cents, 3 cents, 4 cents, 5 cents—just one-half price.

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 5 cents, 6 1-4 cents, 8 cents and 10 cents each.

Ladies' Irish Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 10 cents, 12 1-2 cents, 15 cents, 19 cents and 25 cents each.

Ladies' Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs in an endless variety of designs, 10, 12 1-2, 15, 19, 25 and 33 cents each.

Ladies' Fancy Lace Handkerchiefs, special for Xmas gifts, one or 2 in a box, 49 cents, 75 cents, $1, $1.39, $1.50, and up to $2.75 each.

1 special lot of Duchess Lace Handkerchiefs, sold to date for $5 down to $2.39 each.

Ladies' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 33 to 49 cents each.

Ladies' Fancy Box Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, one-half dozen in a box, 75 cents.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, half a dozen in a box, $1.50 to $3 a box.

Children's Fancy Box Handkerchiefs, 15, 19 and 25 cents a box.

Gents' Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, a great variety of tape border and hemstitched, 10, 12 1-2, 15, 25 and 33c each.

Gents' Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, 17, 19 and 25c.

Gents' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 50, 75 and 98c.

Ladies' and Gents' Silk Mufflers, in elegant brocade and Fancy Japanese Crepe, in black, white, cream and fancy colors, 33, 50, 59, 75c and $1, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, $2 to $3 each.

Men's Gloves.

We are showing an elegant assortment of Men's Kid Gloves, suitable for dress and street wear, 75 cents to $1.50 a pair.

1 lot of Men's Leather Gloves, reduced from $1 to 75 cents a pair.

Feather Boas.

Sumptuously pretty, just the thing for holiday gifts, that the prices are not prohibitive is simply due to the large buying that saves waste and expenses. You can buy them here today from $2.49 to $15.00 even.

Hosiery, Hosiery.

Ladies' 2-thread Heavy Fast Black Cotton Hose, spliced soles, reduced to 10 cents a pair.

Ladies' Black Wool Hose, Grey Merino heels and toes, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, reduced to 19 cents a pair.

Misses' Plain Ribbed Black Wool Hose, reduced to 12 1-2 cents a pair.

Boys' Heavy Weight Black Fleeced Hose, reduced to 19 cents a pair.

Misses' and Boys' Heavy Weight Black Wool Hose corduroy ribbed, very desirable 25 cents a pair.

We Will Sell Choice Mixed Candy, From Now Until Christmas at

10c. Per Pound

In Our Basement.

Furniture Department.

We are offering Ladies' Desks, Fancy Chairs, Music and Parlor Cabinets, Onyx Tables, Tabourettes, Book Cases and various kinds of fancy furniture suitable for Christmas gifts, from 30 to 40 per cent. less than the goods were ever previously offered. Come in and see for yourself.